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CUBAN INSURRECTION.

Struggle of the People for Liberty and Independence.

Many Attempts Made During the Last Century to Secure Self-Government Have All Resulted in Failure.

Our knowledge of the facts of the insurrection now in progress in Cuba is far from satisfactory. While one can hardly pick up a daily newspaper without finding some dispatch concerning the struggle, it is impossible to determine how far the published statements have been colored by the authorities, Spanish or Cuban, by whom they have been prepared.

The silent facts of which we may be sure are that the insurrection has been in progress for a number of months, and has extended over a large part of the interior of the island; that Spain has sent over her ablest general, with tens of thousands of soldiers, to crush it; that the insurgents, far from yielding, have adopted the constitution of a republic, and chosen a president and other officers.

When we remember that a previous effort to achieve the independence of the island resulted in a war of 12 years' length, filled with atrocities hardly paralleled even in similar conflicts, the immediate outlook is not inviting to the lover of peace.

The history of Cuba in this century is little more than a dreary record of unsuccessful attempts at liberty. At first the attempts were peaceful. The constitution of Spain in 1812, as a result of the Napoleonic wars, guaranteed a certain representation to the Cubans. Through the successive defeats of the liberal party in Spain, this provision was never enforced; and when, in 1836, Queen Isabella finally accepted the constitution, the cortes voted by an overwhelming majority that Cuba should enjoy none of the privileges which it extended to the Spaniards themselves.

Since then, to most Cubans, liberty and independence have meant the same thing. The rule of the governors general has been absolute to a degree which it is hard for an American to realize. It is true that a small party has continued to hope that some measure of self government might be gained without separation from the mother country. But the concessions by which the long insurrection of 1868-1880 was brought to a close proved of no practical value. The grasp of Spain on the colony planted nearly 100 years before the settlement of our own Jamestown has remained firm while both the northern and southern continents of America have been freed from European control.

Whatever one's views as to the right or wrong of the present uprising, its general similarity to the struggle that resulted in our own independence cannot be denied. In the matter of grievances, in fact, most of us will be inclined to think that the Cubans have even greater right to complain than did the British colonists in 1776. The character of their warfare, with its numerous small engagements and its slow progress, is also not unlike the earlier campaigns of the revolution.

Now, as then, the sea power is almost entirely in the hands of the mother country, and consequently the insurgents are mainly confined to the interior. The advantage of a disciplined soldiery is on the same side. The climate of the island is, however, a help to the insurgents such as our fathers did not possess; for we see it constantly asserted that the yellow fever is proving far more fatal to the troops from Spain than all the bullets of the rebels.

This similarity of the Cuban struggle to the revolution, the nearness of the island to our shores, and the intimacy of its commercial relations with this country have made the Cuban question a matter of practical political importance with us. That the sympathies of most Americans are with the party of independence is evident to everyone. It is further asked, however, whether this sympathy may not properly be expressed by some act of our government. The contention that the United States should at least recognize the belligerent rights of the insurgents draws a certain strength from the fact that Spain accorded such recognition to the southern confederacy within 40 days after the firing on Sumter. But we should not repeat, in retaliation, what we then regarded as a most unjust and unfriendly act.

Some competent judges are of the opinion that the according of belligerent rights to the Cubans by a first-class power would turn the scale in their favor. It seems certain that the Cubans themselves are looking to us from their mountains with some expectation of encouragement, if not of active help.—Youth's Companion.

The Public Arrested.

Herr Waltersdorf, the German manager and actor, one Sunday in the winter left the Stadt theater and drove to his little playhouse, "Auf den Hausen," outside the town. The play announced on the bills was "Kabale and Liebe." The audience consisted of one solitary person. Nevertheless, Waltersdorf insisted on beginning the play, to the chagrin of his company who expected that the empty playhouse meant a holiday for the actors. They took the wildest liberty with the text, and scarcely a word reached the audience. Thereupon the solitary audience stood up and demanded that the play should be duly rendered according to the playbill. "Arrest the public!" said the grim manager to a policeman, who lurked behind one of the pillars. The officer seized the audience, saying: "I arrest you for disturbing the course of a public entertainment." The whole public was then marched off to the watch-house, and the play came to an end.

Save the Wine.

In Tokio a confirmed tippler, having occasion to send his servant, a country girl to buy some sake, which is a native drink, said, placing the empty bottle in her hands: "Now be very careful and see that you don't fall in coming back. If you fall, you know, you will be sure, one way or another, to spill the wine. Of course, if you are obliged to fall, I suppose you must; but in that case put down the bottle carefully on the road and then fall."—Judge.

FIRESIDE FRAGMENTS.

—Jellied Veal.—Boil the veal tender pick it up fine, put in a mold, add the water it was boiled in, and set it in a cold place; season with salt and pepper to taste. A layer of hard-boiled eggs improves it.—Home.

—Tincture of grindelia is said to be an excellent cure for ivy poison. Dilute it with about three parts of water and bathe the affected parts. It should be applied as soon as the irritation is felt and before the characteristic pustules appear.

—A good way to solve the problem of how to take care of our dress waists in these days of large sleeves that are so easily crushed is to screw several of the frames on which men's coats are hung into the ceiling of a wardrobe or on the lower surface of a closet shelf and hang the garments on them.

—Rice Puffs.—To make a dozen, take a cupful of cold boiled rice, two cupfuls of milk, a pint of flour, a teaspoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of melted butter, and three eggs beaten to a froth. Mix thoroughly together in the order named, have the gem pans hot when filled, and bake for half an hour in a rather quick oven. Serve hot, with liquid sauce.—Good Housekeeping.

—Pistachio Cream.—Blanch one-half pound of pistachio nuts and pound them to a paste with a teaspoonful of brandy. Add the paste to a pint and a half of good cream, sweeten to your taste, add the yolks of two beaten eggs, and stir it over the fire until it becomes thick. Pour it into a glass dish, and when cold stick long shreds of pistachio nuts over the top.—Boston Budget.

—A Good Brown Bread.—Two cups of sour milk, one cup molasses, one cup sifted graham flour, one and a half teaspoonfuls of baking soda, sifted with one-third cup of white flour, one teaspoonful salt. Mix molasses and sour milk, then stir in the meal and flour; pour into two small, buttered pails and steam three hours, then set in the oven and bake from 20 to 30 minutes. Sweet milk may be used if preferred. Do not throw away the bran that is left after sifting the graham flour. It makes an excellent an nutritious jelly.—Ladies' Home Journal.

—Onion Tart.—Peel and slice the onions thinly. Line a dish with pastry, place a layer of onions in the bottom, sprinkle over pepper, salt, a little flour, then more onions, then salt and pepper until the dish is full. Pour over some sweet cream or butter and milk, and cover with pastry; bake until the onions are tender. This is a delicious accompaniment to the baked or boiled meats. Another method is to use alternate layers of sliced onions and potatoes, both raw, season with salt, pepper, butter, and pour over a little milk or water and bake until done. No pastry is used in the latter recipe. Both should be served very hot.—Orange Judd Farmer.

NO FRIEND TO THE RACE.

Some of the Colonel's Characteristics Considered Objectionable.

I was riding out from Memphis to Col. Jackson's plantation when I met an old darky on the highway, who was hobbling along with painful effort. As I wasn't quite sure about my road I asked him if he knew the colonel's place.

"Kurnel Jackson's plantashun?" he repeated. "Yes, sah, I knows dat place right well. Yo' keep right on to de next co'ner an' den turn to de right an' go a mile."

"Do you know the colonel?" I asked.

"Kurnel Jackson? Yes, sah. I knows the kurnel like a book."

"He is said to be a great friend of the colored man."

"Hu! Who says dat?"

"Why, I've heard quite a number of people say so."

"Yo' has, eh? Jist said he was a great friend of de cull'd race, did dey? Well, sah, if Kurnel Jackson am a great friend of de cull'd race den I doan' know it!"

"Perhaps you never wanted anything of him?" I suggested.

"White man!" exclaimed the old man as he lifted up his hands, "do yo' obsarve dis lameness?"

"Yes, you are very lame."

"An' how did I git dis lameness?"

"I don' know."

"Let me tell yo', sah. Two weeks ago I went down to Kurnel Jackson's plantashun to see my darter, who works for him. I started to cum home 'bout 11 o'clock at night, an' while I was walkin' 'long I war suddenly cotched in a b'ar-trap. I was held in dat trap two hours, an' dat 'counts for my lameness. Dat's de sort of man de kurnel am—puttin' out b'ar-traps to cotch cull'd folks by de legs."

"Was that bear-trap in front of the colonel's meat-house?" I asked.

"Yes, sah—right by de doah," replied the old man.

"Then it was set to protect his meat against thieves, wasn't it?"

"Yes, sah, reckon it was, but was I arter his bacon? No, sah! I war jist gwine to open de doah an' look in an' see how much meat de kurnel had on han' fur de winter?"

"And you explained matters to the colonel when he came out to let you out of the trap?"

"I did, sah. Arter I'd hollered an' hollered an' was mos' dead de kurnel cum down an' sot me free, an' what hurt my feelin's de mos' was what he said to me. Arter I'd 'splained to him all 'bout it he hit me seben times wid his cane an' said dat if he eber cotched me tryin' to abominate his meat-house agin he'd distinguish me with such impetuosity dat I'd nebber see anoder well day. Dats de sort o'a man Kurnel Jackson am, sah—dat's de sort of a fren' he am to de cull'd people 'round yere."—Detroit Free Press.

Must Have Learned Somewhere.

"I gave you that parrot as a birthday present, did I not, Matilda?" he asked.

"Yes, but surely, Albert you are not going to speak of your gifts as if—"

"It was young and speechless at the time?"

"Yes," with increasing wonder, "and it has never been out of this parlor."

"There are no other young ladies in this house?"

"No, there are not."

"Then why, when I kissed your picture in yonder album, while waiting for you, did that wretched bird assume your voice and say: 'Don't do that, Charlie, please don't.'"

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

—Man's Idea.—She—"There's a woman in Vermont who hasn't looked in a mirror for thirty years." He—"Is she blind?"—Detroit Free Press.

—Swabian Simplicity. — Inspector (looking into station waiting-room)—"Any more for Ulm, Bieberach? The train's just gone."—Deutsche Warte.

—"Did you ever rough it in the west?" "Oh, yes." "In the mountains or on the plains?" "Well, really, you know, I was in a boarding house!"—Chicago Record.

—Nephew—"What are you going to do with your money when you die?" Uncle—"Take it with me." Nephew—"I always thought you had money to burn."—Waterbury.

—Straight Goods.—Mr. Crimsonbeak—"Here, waiter! I found some feathers in this frankfurter!" Waiter—"Yes, sir; I guess it was made out of a bird dog, sir."—Yonkers Statesman.

—Mrs. Aybee—"Men are such funny things! When Aybee asked me to be his he was the most disconsolate man imaginable." Mrs. Ceede—"I can well believe that."—Boston Transcript.

—Not Crumbs of Comfort.—Jones—"Have you heard that Smith is trying to get a separation from his wife?" Brown—"No; on what grounds?" Jones—"Cruelty; he says that she eats crackers in bed."—Baltimore American.

—Miss Passee (aged 40)—"I wish to see a hat." French Milliner—"For yourself, miss?" Miss Passee—"Yes." French Milliner—"Marie, run down-stairs and get me ze hat for ze ladies between 18 and 25 years."—Tit-Bits.

—Tailor—"When you delivered Mr. Slowboy's suit did you call attention to the fact that it was there when promised?" Boy—"Yes, sir." Tailor—"What did he say?" Boy—"He said he felt he could never repay you for what you had done for him."—N. Y. Sun.

—"I'll bet," remarked Mr. Jason to his wife, as they sat in the family circle at the play, "I'll bet from the looks of it that the dress that there woman in the box is wearing is one of them elegant dresses one-half off we seed advertised yisterday in the papers."—Boston Home Journal.

—Lasting Regrets.—"I never bet on a horse race but once," said the good deacon, "and I have regretted it ever since." "Surely the sin has been forgiven ere now," said the minister. "Oh, I don't doubt that. But the fact is I only won $2, when I might just as well have made it a thousand, since I was in for it."—Indianapolis Journal.

—"What have you got?" inquired the traveler in the linen duster, sitting down on one of the stools. "Cold roast beef," replied the man behind the railway lunch counter, "cold chicken, cold—" "I don't eat meat," broke in the traveler; "I'm a vegetarian." "Try one of his ham sandwiches," suggested the commercial traveler sitting on the next stool.—Chicago Tribune.

—All the More Reason.—He had met with serious losses in business, and added to that his wife, whom he adored, was snatched away by death. He could neither eat nor sleep, and his friends were alarmed about his condition. One of them said to him: "You ought to consult a doctor." "What's the use? Life has lost all charms for me and I want to die, anyhow." "You want to die? All the more reason for calling a doctor."—Texas Siftings.

THE FOREST PEST.

A Huge Horse-Fly That Lies in Wait in Mossy Dells.

Miss Eleanor Ormerod, in a letter to the Veterinary Record, gives some interesting details of Indian forest flies, which, after all, are not so very unlike the horrible pests of the same name which frequent the woods of southern England, and most distinctly make life "not worth living" to the poor horses whom they select as victims. Miss Ormerod says that "some horses are driven mad by the presence of a single fly, and in driving along not unfrequently start kicking most violently, frequently running away with the carriage," etc.

This has reference to the Indian specimen, but we read that the English winged demon has a "large curved claw with a saw-like edge beneath it, with grooves down the lower part of the side of the claw, so that each groove runs to the notch between each tooth, the claws, when laid side by side, forming a most powerful grasping instrument." Realizing, however faintly, what sufferings such creatures can inflict on their prey, surely no one will hesitate to get down at once to search for, and if found pull off, the forest fly when a horse becomes suddenly irritable and fractious while being driven through country lanes or woods.

MONEY THAT IS TO BURN.

Confederate Bills Used Largely in Making Electric-Light Carbons.

"Did you ever know what has become of the greater part of the confederate paper money with which this country was flooded some years back?" asked a local business man who had just returned from a trip to the Atlanta exposition. "No? Well, neither did I until I struck Atlanta a few weeks ago. In that town I found an old man who makes a business of quietly gathering in all the confederate bank notes he can find. You know the stuff was issued by the ton during the war, and there is any quantity of it still floating around. When the old man gets a big bundle of the paper he sends it to Edison, the inventor, who pays a good price for it. Edison uses it to make carbon for incandescent lamps. The paper upon which the confederate notes were engraved was made of the pulp of sea grass. This branch of the paper making industry has since become a dead art, says the Philadelphia Record. Sea grass paper, when chemically treated by Edison, has been found to make the best sort of carbon for incandescent lights, and so there is always a demand for the confederate bills."

Compliments of the Smoking Room.

They sat in deep thought for half an hour after the lunch. Finally one of them could stand it no longer. So he took a cigar from his pocket and lighted it with the remark: "Sorry I haven't got another cigar." "Just what I should have said to you in five minutes more," replied the other, also taking out a cigar, "if you hadn't got the start of me."

FINGERS LIKE CLAWS.

Distinguishing Deformity of the "Robbins Tribe," of New York.

The Strange Birthmark Perpetuated Through Several Generations with an Occasional Variation.

The most picturesque stream in western New York is the Cattaraugus. Through most of its course it is the boundary line between the counties of Erie and Cattaraugus, and it is not a large stream, except when melting snows or autumn rains have swelled it into a torrent. Rich farms, wooded slopes, deep gorges whose lofty walls form the high banks, as the natives call them, and a tangled wilderness where nature still runs riot, as she has from the first; these mark the course of the Cattaraugus. The Indian name is itself musically expressive, and recalls the days when only red men occupied its banks. There are still Indians along it, and the reservation named for it contains most of the few remaining members of the Seneca tribe, once the possessor of all the region from Lake Erie to and beyond the Genesee.

The reservation begins near the village of Gowanda, and just above there, shut in by high hills, is the wildest and most inaccessible spot in the whole region, the valley of Zoar. How or from whom the place received its Biblical name, or what is the resemblance between this secluded spot and the city which, in the Old Testament story, figures along with Sodom and Gomorrah, are matters which not even the oldest inhabitant is able to explain. Here among the hills, where strange faces are rarely seen, is concealed a remarkable example of nature's occasional vagaries and the strange persistence of abnormalities through heredity. Among the few residents of Zoar there are several families of claw-fingered persons. They are not wild or hair-covered, at least not more so than most of the folk among the Cattaraugus, but nearly all of them have a curious deformity of the fingers and toes which gives them their name. They have lived here many years, and, although their neighbors are still inclined to look upon them somewhat askance, they are no longer regarded as especially wonderful, and one might travel through the valley a dozen times without once hearing a word about its strange inhabitants.

In driving through the valley recently the writer came across an old farmer loading hemlock bark by the roadside, and inquired for the claw-fingered residents.

"That Robbins tribe?" was the reply. "Yes, I've knowed some of 'em for nigh on forty years, 'cause I was raised right here. Yes, their hands is like claws. Some of 'em. It's a mighty cur'us thing, but 'tain't nuthin' much to look at. Why, folks come all the way from Buffalo (between 30 and 40 miles) to look at 'em, an' you'd think by the way they go on about it that they was goin' to a circus."

The old man shook his head at the unaccountable curiosity of the Buffalo visitors, and turned again to his work.

Although the residents of Zoar usually refer to their strange neighbors as a tribe, they use the word only as it is frequently employed in rural districts in speaking of any large family. They are by no means looked upon as a separate order of beings. Still there is a strong social predjudice against them. Although this prejudice has not been sufficient to prevent marriages with other families in the neighborhood, it has discouraged such marriages. The consequence is that there has been much intermarrying in the family, and this may have something to do with the perpetuation of their deformity.

As well as can be learned, the peculiar digital formation of the claw-fingered folks has existed in Zoar through four generations. In the early part of the century a man named Robbins settled in Zoar. He was remarkable because his fingers and toes were so bent that they resembled claws somewhat more than they did human digits. In other respects there was nothing particularly striking about his appearance. His strange, claw-like hands and toes became objects of considerable curiosity, but it does not appear that Robbins ever explained the origin of his deformity. Of course after it reappeared in his descendants it became the general opinion that Robbins himself inherited it. Others believe that he was the founder of the claw-fingered family, and that he settled in this remote spot because of his disfigurement.—N. Y. Sun.

The Bone Was Bent.

A case entirely new to medical science came under the observation of the physicians at the Maryland university hospital recently. James Tymon was the patient, and he was afflicted in a most peculiar way. Tymon is employed at the bakery of D. W. Lord, and is 19 years of age. While at work he accidentally fell upon his right arm. He felt an acute pain in the member as if it had been fractured. The pain was intense, and finally Tymon's employers sent him to the hospital, where he was examined by the physicians in charge. To their surprise they discovered that instead of being broken the bone of the forearm was bent so as to form almost a circle, and was firm in that position. It was something that the physicians had not met with before. It is supposed that the bone had became softened in some way, either through constitutional weakness or a peculiar diet.

Imperial Education.

Some suggestive details concerning the early education of the German emperors have recently been made known. It seems that William II. had in early childhood a tutor who was a captain of the guards. Prince Bismarck had recommended him, and he applied to the heir to the throne the principle on which he had trained his recruits, "bend or break." The young Hohenzollern was made to rise at 5:30 every morning, and at once begin a course of gymnastic exercises unsuitable for a child of his age. It is this regimen, authorities say, which made Prince William so weak and nervous that his grandfather, the old emperor, suggested one day to Bismarck that his captain of the guard would perhaps better return to his recruits.

CARRIES DEATH TO MAN.

Awful Power of Fulminate of Mercury Used in Anarchist Bombs.

Fulminate of mercury, which is used by European anarchists in the manufacture of their bombs, is one of the most treacherous and powerful explosives known to science. Heretofore, says the New York World, it has been employed in percussion caps and as a detonator for nitroglycerin preparations. It explodes when subjected to a slight shock or to heat, and not a few expert chemists since its English inventor, Howard, have been seriously injured or killed while preparing or experimenting with it.

In France some years ago the celebrated chemist, Barruel, was manipulating this dangerous product in a heavy agate mortar when his attention was suddenly distracted, and he let the pestle down with a little less care than ordinary. The explosion which followed almost literally blew the mortar to dust, and it tore Barruel's hand from his wrist. Another distinguished chemist, Bellot, was blinded and had both hands torn off while experimenting with fulminate of mercury. Justin Leroy, a French expert in the manufacture of explosives, was one day engaged in experimenting with this compound in a damp state, in which condition it was supposed to be harmless. It exploded with such force, however, that nothing of M. Leroy, that was recognizable could afterward be found.

NO LANGUAGE NEEDED.

Instances Which Seem to Sustain the Contention of Certain Savants.

Those who contend we could get on without a language may add another story to prove their point, says the Leeds Mercury. Everybody knows that in many cases it is not the words used but the manner of speaking which makes the impression. Thus it was that Daniel O'Connell was able to make a market dame rage and storm by calling her a hypothenuse triangle. Some Swedish ambassadors having to present an address to Louis XVI., which they had forgotten, recited the whole of their catechism, and that did just as well. Prof. Drummond tells us in his "Tropical Africa" he was in a similar fix, and got out of it in a similar way. On one occasion four of his carriers ran away. There were three others of the same tribe in the company, and, though the professor knew nothing of their dialect, he determined to teach them a lesson. Beginning with a few general remarks on the heathen, he briefly sketched the geology of Africa and then broke into an impassioned defense of the British constitution. The three tribesmen trembled like aspens. He concluded his reprimand by solemnly enunciating the 47th proposition of Euclid, and the result of the awful admonition was that the men became the most faithful he had.

BY THE SCIENTISTS.

SCIENTISTS predict that in a century's time there will be no disease that is not curable.

AT the lowest ocean depth at which specimens of the bottom have been brought up one hundred and sixteen specimens of infusoria were found.

SNOW, at a very low temperature, absorbs moisture. Arctic travelers take advantage of this fact, by spreading their wet clothes on the snow, and they soon dry.

DR. LAWRIE, of Hyderabad, says that there are no parasites in the blood in malaria, and that the Italian investigators have mistaken the nuclei of the white cells in the blood for microbes.

THE most powerful telescope now in use magnifies two thousand diameters. As the moon is 240,000 miles from the earth, it is thus, to all intents and purposes, brought to within 120 miles of our world.

PARIS has established a municipal laboratory for bacteriology in the old Loban barracks, where analyses of suspected cases of dyphtheria are made within twenty-four hours after the materials have been handed in.

KOCH'S tuberculine, which has been cast in the shade of late by Dr. Roux's antitoxine, now turns up again as a remedy for insanity. Prof. Wagner von Jauregg, of Vienna, has experimented with it for four years, curing many patients and improving the mental and physical condition of all on whom it has been tried.

FOREIGN PICKUPS.

IT costs $100,000 a year to keep up the Bois de Boulogne, but from $40,000 to $50,000 is derived from the park itself, and from the rents of the race courses, restaurants and private houses in it.

CHILDREN from eight to fifteen years of age are employed in the sulphur mines of Caltamsetta, Sicily, to carry the sulphur to the surface of the earth. The occupation is very unhealthy, and the children, after two or three years of service, are physical wrecks.

ROGER BACON was the first to suggest the use of spectacles. When they came into use in Italy, about the year 1285, on the recommendation of Alessandroa di Spina, a monk of Pisa, women were forbidden to wear them, because it was thought such facial ornamentation would make them vain.

A CHESTNUT tree at Torworth, the residence of the earl of Ducie, near Bristol, is probably the oldest tree in England. It is 1,000 years old at least, and measures fifty feet in circumference until it branches into three limbs, one of them over ten feet in diameter.

MANUFACTURERS of patent medicines can find an excellent market for their goods in China. According to the report of a British consul the Chinese have "that tired feeling" a great deal and like to fancy that they are run down in health and in need of a nostrum.

Would Be a Good Thing.

Col. Albert A. Pope, who has done such grand work for the national good roads cause, writes: "It would be a good thing if the government would extend the good road work in the department of agriculture and build the great national highways. Then, if the states would follow the example of New Jersey and Massachusetts and build state roads, leaving to towns and cities the streets, we would, in the course of time, develop a system of highways not excelled by any in the world. It has got to come. Perhaps we may not see it, though I hope to."

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—The hardest varieties of wood, such as mahogany, ebony and lignum-vitae, grow in tropical climates, but their wood does not season as well as that of trees in the temperate zones.

—The "Era of Julius Ceasar" began with the reformation of the calendar in 46 B. C. It prevailed in England for civil purposes until 1752, then being superseded by the Gregorian.

—Several substances, whose odor is to western nostrils exceedingly repugnant, are highly esteemed in the east as perfumes. In Persia and Afghanistan, asafoetida is considered a delicate perfume, and many luxurious persons carry a quantity of it in their pockets or in a bag suspended from the neck.

—The door nail in earlier times, says an antiquarian, was the plate of the door upon which the old-fashioned knocker struck to arouse the inmates of the house. As the plate or nail was struck many more times than any other nail it was assumed to be more dead than other nails. Hence the phrase; "Dead as a door nail."

—The skeleton of an Indian warrior at least six feet six inches tall was found in Muscongus, Me., a few days ago by two men who were digging a cellar. The body had been buried in a sitting posture, facing east, and about it were found iron implements and spear and arrow heads, while around the arm bones were copper bands covered with curious carvings.

—A new bicycle tire, which is said to be an improvement over those in general use, has been invented and patented by Miss E. S. Hutchins, of Big Rapids, Mich. In the middle of the rim of an ordinary style pneumatic rubber tire is a groove, into which is fitted a smaller tire of leather, which, it is claimed, is much more durable than the present style of all-rubber tires while equally elastic and light.

—Several towns and cities in Oregon and Washington have lately obtained an excellent and adequate water supply in an inexpensive manner by the use of wooden pipes. The pipes are made from common pine logs, ten inches in diameter, hollowed out with a six-inch bore. It is claimed that the wooden pipes last as long as iron pipes. One town has a line of pipes seven miles long that, with all connections, cost but $2,000.

—Suits aggregating more than $500,000 will soon be filed by the government against certain big lumber companies and turpentine distilleries in the lower part of Alabama. The evidence shows that from 2,300 acres of fine forest lands belonging to the government 13,654 trees, yielding over 5,000,000 feet of lumber, had been cut. The government authorities propose to stop the depredations by bringing to account the concerns that buy the moonshine lumber.

—Some patriotic citizen of Prescott, Ariz., in lauding his town and state, and descanting on the wonderful riches of the region, declared that even the buildings of Prescott were in part of gold. He was taken up on the assertion, and a bet resulted. A few days ago an assay was made of sandstone being used in the erection of some new buildings, and the stone showed four dollars per ton in gold and 20 cents per ton in silver. It wouldn't pay to mine the buildings of Prescott, but the boomer won his bet.

THE WORLD'S WOMEN.

Miss Beatrice Harraden's winter in California was so pleasant and beneficial to her that she will return there after her present brief visit to England.

Mrs. Howard Townsend, president of the National Society of Colonial Dames, is a guest of the local chapter of the daughters of the American Revolution in Atlanta.

A no less droll blunder was made by an American woman driving about Athens, who pointed to a sign over a shop: "Solon Confiserie," with the naive remark: "What a queer way to spell saloon! I suppose that is modern Greek."

A feature of interest connected with the educational display, from the woman's standpoint, at the Atlanta exposition, will be the presence of some leading light from each of the women's colleges. Dean Emily James Smith, of Barnard, is to speak of her institution's progress.

Although Mme. Viaud, the mother of Pierre Loti, is 82 years old, she is as active as a young woman, and is an eager and successful mountain climber. The author's wife, who prefers to be known as Mme. Loti, is one with his mother in admiration of his gifts.

TOLD OF PEOPLE.

Henry Miller and Charles Lex, two California men, own more than 14,000,000 acres of land in three states. This joined would make a property half the size of New York.

Sunsberg, the champion chess player of the world, is an inveterate smoker. His favorite tobacco takes the form of green cigars, and during one game he will consume six or seven from his case.

Dr. Andree has selected his companions for the balloon expedition to the north pole. One is the meteorologist, Ekhom, of Stockholm; the other is Neils Strindberg, an amanuensis in the Stockholm university.

Otto, the insane king of Bavaria, has just celebrated his 46th birthday—that is, it was celebrated throughout his country by a religious service. Since his accession to the throne the mad sovereign has never left the castle of Fuerstenried, which is surrounded by high walls.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

THE estimated annual consumption of ice in New York is 2,000,000 tons.

DIAMONDS so small that 1,500 go to the karat have been cut in Holland.

RUSSIA produced 297,500,000 poods of petroleum in 1894, a falling off of over 27,000,000 from 1893. A pood is 36 pounds.

EXPORTS of oranges from Palermo, Italy, to the United States, were increased eight fold last year because of the failure of the Florida crop.

THE steel rail pool is made up of the Carnegie Steel company, the Illinois Steel company, the Pennsylvania Steel company, the Cambria Iron & Steel company and the Lackawanna Steel company.

Cambria Freeman.

EBENSBURG, CAMBRIA CO., PA.

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A DISPATCH from San Francisco, says that a representative of a Japanese manufacturing syndicate has bought 50,000 bales of cotton, which are to be shipped to Yokohama during the present season.

THE liberator, Simon Bolivar, of Venezuela, is represented by an equestrian statue in Central Park, New York, while George Washington is honored by a statue in a square in Caracas. There is hardly a house in Caracas that has not in it a picture of Washington.

THE St. Petersburg correspondent of *New Evrie Presse*, telegraphs that Russia and France have actually promised diplomatic support of the United States in the Venezuelan trouble, and states that Russia is prepared to facilitate the United States loan with her own gold reserve.

IN view to the great benefit that must accrue to the business interests and trade relations of New York by holding the next Democratic national convention there, the *Herald*, of that city announces that it will head the subscription list for that purpose with $10,000, provided the rest of the amount required be subscribed by the business men of that city

CONGRESS has by a joint resolution which passed without opposition authorized the secretary of the Navy to accept at the contract price the ram Katahdin, which was rejected by the president for failure to make the speed required in the contract, it having been shown that the builders were not to blame, they having constructed the vessel on government plans.

THE president on Wednesday night announced the composition of the Venezuelan commission, which will consist of five members, as follows: David J. Brewer, of Kansas associate justice of the supreme court of the United States; Richard H. Alvey, of Maryland, chief justice of the court of appeals of the District of Columbia; Andrew D. White, Frederick R. Coudert, of New York: Daniel C. Gilman, president of the John Hopkins university.

THE wise policy, which dates back to Secretary Whitney's day, of establishing armor making plants in this country has now been vindicated, not only by obtaining for our ships the best armor in the world, but by the calls made for supplying other countries. Russia, it appears, has added to her former order for Bethlehem armor a new and larger call for both Bethlehem and Carnegie plates for two of her new warships. Japan may follow Russia, and thus there are foreign as well as home triumphs in store.

THE Democrats of the house and senate will be unanimous in opposing the tariff scheme Speaker Reed is thrusting upon the country on the gauzy pretense of increasing the revenues. And there is an official at "the other end of the avenue" who, not having had the felicity of signing a tariff bill to his liking, will undoubtedly take great pleasure in vetoing one that is so objectionable in every sense. We doubt, however, if the house popgun bill will get through the senate. The same fight the Repnblicans made against the Wilson bill and will be strictly in order. There has been no demand from any quarter. except from the Ohio shepherds, for this new edition of McKinleysim, and it is a gratuitous and uncalled for reopening of the tariff debate when the business and industries of the country are demanding that matters shall remain at rest.

THE Hellespont, or the strait of the Dardanelles, which has been the scene of so many historical conflicts, is just now the center of interest in the Turkish complications. The strait is a narrow channel connecting the Aegean with the sea of Marmora. It is entirely within Turkish territory, separating Turkey in Europe from Turkey in Asia. It is about 45 miles in length and is from 800 feet to 4½ miles in width. At one time the passage at the narrowest point was guarded by chains. At the entrance are two castles or forts which were regarded as quite formidable in the old time, but which amount to nothing as defenses against modern warships. At the narrow point in the channel are two other forts, which it is supposed would make a fair defense.

There are in the strait modern gunboats, and torpedo boats have been placed in the channel by the engineers in the service of the Turkish government.

THE most stirring utterance on prospective war yet heard is by Mr. Watterson, of Kentucky:

"Could we hold our own against England and her possible allies? Ours is a land of veterans. Reunited, the men who fought with equal valor for North and South would march under one flag as valorously as when they answered the bugle call of a Grant or a Lee, a Morgan or a Custer. War is a calamity. It may be a necessity. When you deal with bullies you must meet them on common ground. It is the manifest destiny of the United States to rule this entire continent. If Lord Salisbury thinks we are unequal to any combination he can put into the field, let him put an army into the disputed Venezuelan territory.

"If we do not stand by the Monroe doctrine, we shall not stand by nothing. If we do not stand by a neighboring republic, badgered by the most unscrouplous power of Christendom, then we shall deserve all the humiliation and odium we shall get."

THE passage of the financial bill in the house on Saturday, says the Philadelphia *Times*, by a vote of 170 yeas to 136 nays shows that Speaker Reed's political lines are already broken, and it is doubtless but the beginning of Republican disintegration in the house that is likely to make the Democratic demoralization in the last congress comparatively respectable.

The bond bill forced through the house by Speaker Reed, is purely a political invention, conceived primarily to aid Speaker Reed's nomination for the presidency and next to save the party. It was well known to every Republican leader in the house that the bond bill could not pass the senate; that if passed by the senate it could not be approved by the President, yet it was forced through under whip and spur; but 47 Republicans had the courage to declare their inpependence and vote with 82 Democrats and the Populists squarely against the measure

Speaker Reed and his fellow leaders had what might be deemed official notice from the secretary of the treasury that the bill they passed was inadequate to meet the necessities of the government, and its errors were pointed out with distinctness. Had statesmanship instead of politics ruled the speaker and the majority party of the house, there would have been some attempt to modify the bill to enable the government to maintain public and private credit without resorting to another bond issue that must cost the people millions of money solely for want of a distinct expression for payment in the only money accepted by the civilized world and which this government will ever use in discharging its obligations. The bill as adopted by the house was passed with the knowledge of the leaders that it was purely a partisan expression, and its passage forced in the face of direct information that makes the measure valueless even if enacted by congress and approved by the president.

The fact that Speaker Reed's forces have been broken into fragments at the very threshold of the session clearly indicates that the different elements of the Republican party will play politics rather than statesmanship during the present session, regardless of the interests of the nation; and it is not improbable that before this session shall have closed the Republican majority of the house will be in little more favor with the notion than was the Democratic majority of the last congress at the close of its first session. Every attribute of statesmanship seems to have been subordinated to mere politics, and that is likely to teach the nation, as did the last congress, that the party in power is incompetent to rule the greatest republic of the world.

THE Republicans now have control of both branches of the national legislature. They secured control of the senate by an alliance with the populist members of that body and from this time forth will have things their own way so far as legislation is concerned. The Altoona *Tribune*, whose Republicanism cannot be questioned thinks, however, that the dose is too strong to be swallowed without a murmer. The *Tribune* on Wednesday says: The recent alliance of the Republicans in the United States senate with the populists is a reproach to the party and a disgrace to the nation. There are honorable men and true among the senators, but they are not very numerous and seem to have been unanimously absent when the reorganization of the senate was effected on Monday. This was done by surrendering the control of the finance committee into the hands of the free silver people and permitting the populist senators to remain undisturbed upon the several committees. In consideration of the practical declaration by the Republican senators in favor of a debased and a dishonest dollar, the Populists refrained from voting and the change in the organization was effected. An alliance with populists is not to the credit of the men who cohsummated it and the federal senate is, at present, a nuisance and a fraud.

NOBODY expects, says the New York *Herald*, that the bond bill rushed through the house by the Republicans last week will pass the senate, and that even if it should, it would afford the financial relief of which the treasury stands in need.

This failure on the part of congress to come to the aid of the government will leave the president and secretary of the Treasury no other recourse than to make another bond issue under the existing law, with its costly disadvantage to the nation.

The section of the bill providing for a limited popular loan to raise revenue when revenue may be needed is good as far as it goes. But the house has missed an exceptional opportunity to send to the senate a thoroughgoing popular loan bill that would meet the pending emergency by affording the treasury the financial relief it needs, and at the same time giving the people of the country the benefit of taking the bonds.

The more a popular loan is considered the more its advantages both to the government and the people must be appreciated. That it will come in time we have no sort of doubt. The sooner congress provides for it the better it will be for the country.

IN the different counties of the state Secretary of Agriculture Edge has made a careful investigation into the tax rate and finds that it varies on the actual value from 6.46 mills as a minimum to 13,33 as a maximum. He can give but one explanation for this. The assessment must have been made very unevenly and unfairly; some farms assessed at their full value and others at about half. For the past three years the total number of farms on the roll of the department has been 24,734. Their total value is estimated at $151,529,458 and the the taxes paid on them amounts to $1,259,847,17.

Washington Letter.

Washington, D. C., Dec., 28, 1895.—Speaker Reed's muzzles are in prime working order. He muzzled the members of the Ways and Means committee and compelled them to report two bills prepared by him; one increasing the tariff upon wool, woolens and lumber to 60 per cent of what it was in the McKinley law, and raising the tariff upon everything else, excepting sugar, 15 per cent above present rates, and the other providing for the issue of three per cent coin bonds to replenish the gold reserve whenever the secretary of the treasury deems it necessary, and of $50,000,000 in three per cent. 3-year treasury certificates, or so much thereof as the secretary of the treasury may need from time to time. He muzzled the objecting Republicans who wanted the bills submitted to a caucus before being reported to the house, and lastly he muzzled the house and had his bills passed, notwithstanding that the Democrats did all the protesting they could under the Reed rules, against the railroading of such important legislation through the house without debate. When one of his own party went to Mr. Reed and asked that a reasonable time be allowed for debate on the bills before they were passed, Mr. Reed dismissed him by saying sharply: "The house isn't a debating society." In fact for all practical purposes there is no house. Its powers have all been usurped by Mr. Reed and its only important duties are to obey his orders.

But there are neither Reed rules nor methods in the senate, to which these bills have now gone, and the country may count upon their being thoroughly debated before they are acted upon. It is doubtful whether either of them can pass the senate at all, and certain neither can get through without being materially amended.

The president this week formally declined to accept the ram Katahdin, built by the Bath Iron works, because of the failure of the vessel to make the speed stipulated in the contract. The rejection is merely a technical one, as the administration and the naval officers are entirely satisfied with the boat and know that the failure to reach the required speed was no fault of the builders who merely followed the government plans in the construction of the vessel. It would have set a precedent which might make trouble in the future to accept the vessel after its failure to make the speed named in the contract, so it was deemed best to refuse to accept. But the administration's influence will be used to get the joint resolution authorizing the president to accept the Katahdin, which has already been introduced, adopted by congress, so there is little doubt that the Katahdin will soon be a part of Uncle Sam's navy.

In creating three election committees to bounce these Democrats whose seats are being contested by Republicans and to give those Republicans who are holding seats which are contested by Democrats a valid title to their seats, Mr. Reed overlooked one thing that is already making trouble. The committee on elections has but one room, and each of the three committees claim the right to use it.

The union printers are not so glad about the extension of the civil service rules to the government printing office as they were. Already four non-union printers have secured positions in the building by passing the required examination, and their will be others, until their number grows so great that the office will be classified as non-union.

The report, although not yet officially confirmed, that Russia has offered to loan the United States $400,000,000 in gold, without interest, has probably created greater consternation among the European gold kings who have been squeezing enormous profits out of the United States under our present tad financial system than did President Cleveland's bold announcement in behalf of the Monroe doctrine. Already an agent of the Rothschilds has been to Washington to assure Secretary Carlisle of their willingness to furnish all the gold this government might need, notwithstanding their assertion right after the Monroe doctrine message was published that American securities of all sorts had been put on the black list. Of course there is no probability that this government will accept Russia's offer. but it was none the less a very friendly and gracious act on the part of Russia, and it furnishes the administration with a weapon that will inspire fear in the minds of the European gold kings, who know by experience what Russia can do in the financial line in opposition to them. Russia has not only made itself independant of the aforesaid European money kings, but while doing it has accumulated $800,000,000 in gold. More than half of this gold, for which Russia has no particular use, is deposited in Europ an banks outside of Russia That is the gold she is willing to loan us. Its withdrawal from Europe would be a knockdown blow for the gold kings.

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Killed by a Maniac.

Fargo, S. D. December 28.—A sensational murder is reported from the village of Buffalo, forty miles west of here. This afternoon the hired man of C. A. Peterson came to the village informing Dr. A. A. Young that Peterson had become insane and requested the doctor to return with him to the farm and prescribe for Peterson. The doctor agreed to go upon the hired man's promising to return to the village for assistance, if Peterson proved to be violent.

Two hours later Dr. Young's friends became alarmed at his non-appearance and started out to search for him Upon reaching the house they found the dead body of the doctor with his head pounded to a jelly. Near the body was found a large Indian club covered with blood and hair, which told the story of the crime. Peterson was found in the house, a raving maniac, and was overpowered after a desperate struggle. The hired man is missing, and it is feared that he, too, is a victim of the maniac.

Railroad Race Resulted Fatally.

DENVER, Col., Jan 1.—The railroad race between two Denver newspapers to get their New Year's edition into Cripple Creek and Leadville, this morning, resulted in disaster. The contest was over two roads, the Midland and the Denver and Rio Grande. The train over the latter road, shortly after 8 o'clock, when within four miles of Leadville, and going very fast, jumped the track on a curve, the engine crashing into the Malta station and carrying it entirely away. Harry Hartman, the fireman, was instantly killed, and John Baker, the engineer, died within an hour.

A FALSE alarm of fire at the Front Street Theatre, Baltimore, last Friday night caused the death of twenty-seven persons. Several others are lying in the City Hospital, three of whom are fatally injured. The victims are mostly children, who were trampled to death by the panic stricken crowd endeavoring to escape from the building.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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A Horrible Suicide.

New York, Dec 28.—A horrible suicide occurred to day in East Eleventh street, near, Avenue A. Persons going to work saw a man leap from the roof of a five story tenement at No. 607, into the street. His body struck on the edge of the sidewalk and rebounded into the middle of the street. He was instantly killed.

The suicide was Charles Wacherer, a German compositor, whose home was on the fourth floor of the tenement. He lived there with his wife and child, an infant of six months. He was 45 years old and had worked at his trade for years, but recently his eyesight began to fail him. He became partly blind and lost his position in consequence several days ago.

He has been despondent ever since, but gave no indication that he contemplated suicide. He got up this morning and prepared some food for his baby. An hour later he told his wife he was going out to get something. Before he left the room, he kissed the child. Then he went up on the roof of the next house, from which he jumped into the street. In the dead man's pocket the police found a letter written in German, giving his reasons for taking his life.

Shot by His Dog.

Pawtucket, R I., Dec. 29.—Louis Lezotte was shot by his own dog while squirrel hunting in the woods near Rehoboth, Mass., this afternoon. He had a double barrelled gun with him, and sighting a squirrel high up in an oak, Lezotte let go one barrel, badly wounding the squirrel. Standing the gun against the tree, Lezotte began to climb to secure his quarry.

The dog, which from the time of the discharge of the gun had been running excitedly around the tree, began to jump against the trunk as if trying to follow his master. His paw struck the trigger of the loaded barrel, sending a charge of shot up past Lezotte's side and lodging in the muscles of the right arm near the shoulder. Lezotte fell, but managed to make his way to a doctor in Rehoboth, who sent for an ambulance to take the wounded man to the Rhode Island hospital. There it was said that the arm would probably have to be amputated.

The Armenian Martyrs.

Chicago, Dec 28.—M. M. Mangasarian has just received letters from Amasia, Marsouan, Malatia and Arabkir describing the horrors of the massacre of the Christains in those cities. The survivors have shut themselves up in their houses, huddled together, waiting momentary for death.

"When you return to Armenia you will not be able to find our graves," says one of the writers. "It is incredible," says another, "that England, with ample power to stop bloodshed and rapine, should remain indifferent." Another writes that "Armenia is the only country that has given martyrs for religion in the nineteenth century."

All the letters call upon M. Mangasarian to use his influence to engage the practical sympathy of the American Christians for the starving victims of plunder and persecution.

Relief for Armenians.

New York, Dec. 29.—The National Armenian relief committee, of which Justice Brewer, of the United States supreme court, is president, to day issued an urgent appeal to the American public for contributions of money to aid the suffering Armenians. Funds should be sent to the treasurers, Brown Bros & Co., New York, Boston and Philadelphia. General correspondence and inquiries regarding local committees should be addressed to the National Armenian relief committee, No. 45 William street, New York.

It is requested that boards of trade, mayors and other prominent citizens take steps at once to organize strong representative branch committees in their respective localities through the country and report the same to the national committee for enrollment and suggestions.

Eight People Injured.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 28.—Eight people were injured in a wreck at the crossing of the Des Moines and Kansas City and Chicago Great Western, in the outskirts of the city yesterday afternoon. A passenger train of the Kansas City line was on the crossing when a Great Western freight train ran into it.

The rear coach of the passenger train was turned over and wrecked and the following were injured: E. A. Dougherty both hands crushed; Mrs. S. E. Houlett, hands cut and head bruised; S. F. Houlett, both hands and hip injured; Rev. B. F Lingenfelter, head, knee and shoulder badly hurt; C. C. Rhodes, injured on the head and face; John Timmons, head bruised. Mrs. Lingenfelter and Fay Rhodes were only slightly hurt. All the injured will recover.

The Great Diamond Robbery.

New York, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. I Townsend Burden, of No. 5. Madison square, north, went to the opera last night with their daughter, leaving their two sons and six servants to care for the house. When they returned they found that burglars had ransacked Mrs Burden's jewel cases and that gems worth $65,000 had been stolen. The detective force was hurried to the scene early this morning, but no clews have yet been found.

In the meantime Mr. Burden discovered that his safe had been opened and a number of certified checks, together with a large sum of money, had been stolen.

Oil-Burning Locomotives.

Philadelphia, December 30.—The British steamer Turret Bay sailed from Port Richmond to day with a cargo of 20 oil burning locomotives, built by the Baldwin Locomotive Works for the Russian government. The engines weigh 97 tons each, and are built with special fire boxes for burning petroleum instead of coal.

The oil is supplied from tenders, which carry a large oil tank, with place for water and coal. They are designed for both freight and passenger service on the Trans Caucasian Railroad.

Another cargo of the same number of engines will be shipped in January.

By the explosion of four tons of giant powder, in a depository near Romeo, Ill., the earth was made to quake for a radius of 50 miles.

NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

—Knoxville, Tenn., has received a contract for furnishing 500,000 pounds of dried apples to the german army.

—Mrs. Ann Judge, a wealthy woman of Easton, was found in a mutilated and dying condition on the Pennsylvania railroad tracks near her house.

—Lightning struck the house of David Haines, in Bellefonte, on Thursday evening of last week, but did no further damage than demolish the chimney.

—Of the whole number of persons employed in the railway service last year the Pennsylvania railroad is credited with 51,872, to whom was paid $20,346,670.

—John C. Kelly, of Mount Sterling, Ky., aged 25, committed suicide at Columbus on Sunday by taking carbonic acid because his aunt did not invite him to dinner on Christmas day.

—The barn of William Rittenhouse, at Jeffersonville, Montgomery county, Pa., was burned Saturday night. Twenty-seven cows and four horses were roasted to death. The barn was ignited by a tramp. Loss, $17,000; insurance, $10,000.

—Under fear that William Depomki and Frank Novitski would kill him if he confessed, Frank Feloski, of Shamokin, had the men arrested. He said he saw them blowing up with dynamite the parochial residence of Rev. Father Gneez, July 8th, 1893.

—Misses Ethel Spencer and Blanch Smith, of Williamsburg, while skating on the river at that place last Wednesday broke through the ice and came near drowning. Both young ladies were under the ice and were rescued with great difficulty.

—Lewis Hillegas, the smallest sized man in Bedford county, died at the residence of his mother, near New Buena Vista, in Juniata township, on Monday morning of last week. He was 41 years of age and only 38 inches tall. He had been sick for the past four years. When in good health he weighed forty-two pounds.

—Many of the furnaces along the Philadelphia & Reading railroad lines are now piling up pig iron, the output being larger than the demand. During the past ten days there has been a sharp decline for pig iron in Eastern Pennsylvania, and very little of the metal is being shipped at present. Higher prices are demanded.

—Elva T. Close, a seven-year-old child, got a verdict at Media Tuesday for $400 for personal injuries, against Sylvester Garret, of Swarthmore. The defendant owns the line of hacks running from Morton Station to Media, and the little girl, a daughter of George W. Close, was injured in one of the hacks in a runaway.

—The body of Harry Haywood, who was executed at Minneapolis for the murder of Catharine Ging, is now but a handful of white-brown ashes. In accordance with his dying wish, his remains were cremated at Chicago last Friday in the incineration furnace at Greenland cemetery. The incineration occupied three hours and fourteen minutes.

—The 350 inmates of the Berks county almshouse eat 255 feet of sausage at a meal. They average about a mile of sausage a month. Sausage is a favorite dish with the inmates, and whenever it is served each one receives about nine inches. That means that 5000 inches are served at each meal. It takes five hogs to supply this quantity.

—General A. C. Williams, who was at one time assistant surgeon general of the United States army, was arrested Saturday afternoon at Washington, charged with having obtained $70 worth of clothing under false pretenses. He was later taken to Baltimore, where he is accused of having obtained money on a forged check for $500 two years ago. He was at one time popular, prosperous, and influential in Washington City.

—On account of the recent order from England to tobacco agents at Lexington to cease buying the Kentucky product, together with the decline in prices, caused by the warfare between manufacturers, Leslie Combs, of Fayette county, Ky., the largest tobacco planter in the world, made an assignment on Friday afternoon. Liabilities are about $300,000. Among the assets is a quantity of tobacco estimated at seven hundred thousand pounds and nearly one thousand acres of Blue Grass land.

—W. H. Miller, a miner living on Soldier creek, in Oregon, is an extremely independent man. He owns a rich ledge, from which he can easily get $10 to $12 worth of ore every day and have plenty of time to sit around and talk about Venezuela and the tariff. He could sell out his property for a large sum, but he declines all offers. He lives alone and his wants are few. "The ledge will stay there," he says. "I own it. I'm as independent as a hog on ice, and I'm happy and contented to stay just as I am,

New York Fashion Letter.

The evening and ball gowns of the season are most elegant in both the lightest and darkest tints. The bodices of these new gowns have more often the low square neck so becoming with large puffs or draped sleeves. The coat waist is also in vogue for low neck evening gowns of satin velvet or moire. Jacket fronts are added on a full vest of chiffon. The skirts of these gowns are usually plain and untrimmed and about six yards wide at the bottom, with a train of three or four inches in the back. The new evening cloaks are very picturesque. One novel feature is a hood of great size which presents the appearance of a cape. A novelty coat is what is called the British coat. It is usually made of red with the most intricate braiding on it. Ribbon trimmings are very important features of both dress and millinery. Spangles and sequins are a fashionable fancy for the trimming not only of evening toilettes but for every day dresses and waists. Some of these new trimming laces are most beautiful imitations, particularly the Venitian point and all the Marie Antoinette styles. Much fur is used for evening and day wear. Even waists, skirts and sleeves are made entirely of fur. Large and small, old fashioned and new, enameled and jeweled, painted and inlaid trim the front of the waist, the pocket flaps, bodies, sleeves and so forth. The McDowell Fashion Magazines just received are full of interest and new ideas for the dressmakers and families.

"La Mode de Paris" and "Paris Album of Fashions" cost $3.50 each per year or 35 cents a copy. The "French Dressmaker" is $3.00 per annum or 30 cents a copy, and "La Mode" $1.50 per year or 15 cents a copy. If you are unable to procure either of these journals from your newsdealer do not take any substitute, but apply by mail to Messrs. A. McDowell & Co., 4 West 14th street, New York.

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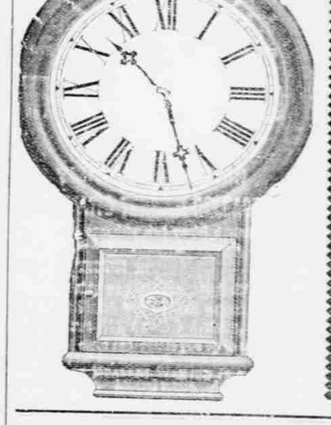

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

—Here we are again.

—The newly elected county officials will ...ore in on Monday next.

—Mr. Frank Kane, of Munster, was a ...ller to Ebensburg on Wednesday.

—Mr. Bernard Litzinger, of Loretto, ...s a few hours in Ebensburg on Thurs...

—Mr. George R. Stineman, one of South ...'s best citizens, was a visitor to Ebens... on Monday.

—George Fresh, Esq., of Nicktown, ...s at his home in that place on Tuesday, ...ber 24th, aged 48 years.

—Several of our subscribers have made a ...ristmas gift to absent friends by a year's ...scription to the FREEMAN. It is a wise ...ct.

—Peter Stutler, one of Barr township's ...lest citizens, died at his home in that ...nship on December 23, 1895, aged about ...5 years.

—Stanton Davis, Congressman Hick's ...retary, spent the holidays visiting his ...nts, Captain Thomas Davis and wife, ...f this place.

—J. A. Sharbaugh, Carrolltown's popu...r father, has issued a handsome calen...dar for 1896, one of which has found its ...y to our sanctum.

—The last day of 1895 was a genuine ...mer day, about the first of the season ...d 1896 seems to intend to continue it, ...t is with us at last.

—The commissioners of Blair county ...ve decided to purchase a soldiers' and ...ilors' monument to be erected in the ...urt house yard as soon as possible.

—Our thanks are tendered to L. A. ...ver, the popular landlord of the Blair ...use, for a handsome turkey that kept ...e wolf from the door on Christmas.

—On Monday the county commissioners ...pointed E. P. Baker, Esq., of Susque...nna township, mercantile appraiser, ...ere were a large number of applicants.

—An appeal has been entered in the ...othonotary's office in the commissioner's ...se and the superior court will give ...e a hearing at their meeting in ...

—Miss Mattie Richardson, of Edgewood, ...after spending a few days in this ...ce on a visit to her parents, Mr. and ...s. William Richardson, returned home ...Saturday.

—John M. Ralsbaugh and his wife, who ...ed near Swatara, this state, were found ...d in their rooms on Christmas morning ...m the effects of coal gas from a defec...ve stove pipe.

—Mrs. John Ford died at her home at ...ineral Point on Friday of last week, aged ...out 70 years. She is survived by her ...band and three children, all grown up, and ...y three brothers.

—Mrs. Mary Stineman died at her home ...Carroll township, on December 21st, ...ged 65 years. The deceased was the ...ther of Hon. J. C. and George B Stine...an of South Fork.

—A patent was issued by the department ...Internal Affairs at Harrisburg last week ...Clearfield bituminous coal corporations ...sixteen hundred acres of land in Clear...ld and Centre counties.

—County Register and Recorder H. A. ...ghart and Messrs. George Bearer and ...e Blair, clerks in the office, presented ...ister and Recorder McGough with a ...dsome ormolu mantel clock on Christ...s day.

—William K. Irwin died at the home of ...s sister Mrs. J. T. Dougherty, in Al...a on Monday, aged 53 years. The de...ased was an engineer on the Pennsyl...ia railroad and was born at Summit, ...is county.

—On Saturday evening Sebastian Fry, ...of Loretto's oldest and most respected ...zens, died suddenly from an apoplectic ...ke, aged about 75 years. His remains ...e interred at Loretto on Tuesday morn...g at 9 o'clock.

—Mrs. Theresa Fromuld, an aged resi...t of Johnstown, died at the home of ...r adopted daughter, Mr. John Dowling, ...that city, on Monday, in the 82nd year ...her age. Mrs. Fromuld at one time re...ded at the Summit.

—Mr. Joseph Craver, of West Virginia, ...other of L. A. Craver, of the Blair House, ...this place, after an absence of thirteen ...rs, spent a couple of weeks visiting ...nds in the north of the county. He re...ned home on Tuesday.

—Morris T. Kinsman, a Ben's Creek ...er, jumped from a freight train near ...ckton, on Sunday afternoon, and was ...retty badly used up. After having his ...juries attended to by Dr. T. S. Troxell, ...was taken to his home.

—Mr. F. B. Jones, of Johnstown, who ...n Monday next will be sworn in as Regis...r and recorder, has removed his family ...d household goods to this place and ...en up his residence in the D. J. Davis ...perty on Centre street.

—About o'clock on Tuesday morning a ...ken wheel derailed five cars of an east ...nd freight train a short distance above ...ttanning Point. The accident damaged ...e tracks to quite a distance, but trains ...re delayed but slightly. No one was ...jured.

—Rev. Father Kittell, of Loretto, will ...il for Europe in January and will visit ...me as a representative of the American ...ilosophical Society of Philadelphia, where ...will examine interesting statistics for the ...ciety. He expects to be absent on his ...ip about two years.

—Robert Davison, father of Dr. T. J. ...vison, of this place, died at the home of ...s son at Irwinsler, Westmoreland county, ...n Friday December 27, 1895, aged 83 years, ...months and 9 days. The deceased was a ...tive of Westmoreland county, and is ...vived by four sons and three daughters.

—Mrs. Margaret Roberts, one of the old...t native residents of Ebensburg, died at ...e home of Mr. Elesha Mahan, in Ebens...g, on Thursday morning, January 2, ...ceased about 70 years. The deceased ...s the widow of Thomas Roberts who ...ceded her to the grave a number of ...rs ago.

—The work of straightening the main ...e of the Pennsylvania railroad between ...rtage and Lilly, was begun on Thurs...y of last week. Contractor Stahl, of ...toona, has that part of the work near ...rtage, and Contractor Simms has the ...avy Sonman cut through the bluff west ...Sonman station.

—Christmas evening Michael Rufing, of ...rtage, was driving a horse attached to ...buggy and in attempting to cross the ...ilroad tracks the outfit was struck by an ...pty engine, being carried on the pilot a ...stance of about 200 yards. The horse ...s so badly injured that it had to be shot. ...e buggy was reduced to kindling wood, ...t the driver was only slightly hurt.

—We neglected in our last issue to call ...e attention of our readers to the change ...ad of James Quinn, of Johnstown. Mr. ...inn's establishment is one of the land...rks of the city and so well known that ...would be superfluous to tell our readers ...at when there they will be courteously ...eated, find the best grade of goods, and ...ter purchasing will return home re...icing.

—An equity case was before Judge White, of Allegheny county, a few days ago, involving the validity of a borough ordinance imposing a license of $1 a day upon hucksters who sold produce to consumers in the borough. Judgment was given against the borough, the judge deciding that such a license "is an oppression upon the seller and upon all the citizens, except storekeepers."

—A commission, appointed by the court of common pleas to inspect the Clearfield county poor house, met Wednesday at the site, near Du Bois, and recommended the same to be taken off the contractor's hands. The site cost $8,000; main buildings, $52,-656 05; furniture $3,000, and barn $1,745. Estimated cost when fully completed is $70,000. The home will accommodate two hundred and fifty inmates.

—A great coke war seems at hand. The H. C. Frick company announced some days ago that its price for coke would be advanced to $2 a ton. W. J. Rainey, the second largest producer of coke, declared Saturday that he will sell coke after January 1 for $1.25 a ton. This great cut in prices means a war among the operators, it is believed. H. C. Frick refuses to say what he will do about prices now.

—Word comes from Dunbar, Pa., that the father of an Italian girl, who is only fifteen years old, received $300 for her from an Italian cokeworker, and the pair were married Tuesday evening. The facts of the sale leaked out through a disappointed Italian, whose bid of $200 was refused by the girl's father. The buying and selling and exchanging of wives is not a new thing in the Italian colonies in the coke regions.

—On Saturday morning Johnstown Accommodation ran into John McNally's farm wagon on the railroad crossing about a mile east of Cresson station. The rear end of the wagon was struck and was broken to pieces. The driver, a young man, was knocked from the vehicle and his face and knee injured, but he immediately jumped to his feet and pursued his team, which ran off. He succeeded in catching the horses.

—On Saturday afternoon an Italian, who had been in the employ of Collins & Martin at Kittanning Point, was walking on the railroad track in the neighborhood of Twenty-fourth street, Altoona, when he was struck and run down. His skull was fractured, his left leg crushed from the knee to the ankle and his right foot ground off. The man was picked up and taken to the hospital where he died without regaining consciousness.

—A sure remedy for the relief of choking is this: To immediately reverse the upright position of the body with head down and with body supported by the hands and with feet elevated, when instant relief will be obtained and the obstruction will fall from the mouth. A child can be seized by the legs, and head turned down, and relief will be instantaneous. A knowledge of this may save a life in such an emergency.

—Mr. Thompson Carney died at the residence of John Miller, in Jackson township, on Sunday, from pneumonia. Mr. Carney was a resident of Indiana county, and at the breaking out of the civil war enlisted in Company A., 11th Penna. Reserves, which was raised in Ebensburg. He was a good soldier and served through the war and on his return made his home in the neighborhood of Strongstown. He was about 60 years of age and unmarried.

—Saturday's Johnstown *Tribune* says: A letter received in this city by a friend of Mr. H. A. McPike, formerly of Johnstown, afterward editor and proprietor of the CAMBRIA FREEMAN, and more recently a partner in the ownership of the Altoona *Times*, but now in the government printing office, Washington, D. C., brings the good news that he and his family are enjoying the best of health and are prosperous and contented in their new home.

—Johnstown Republicans are making quite a kick over an attempt to steer the influence of the liquor men in a certain direction for the nomination of a candidate for county treasurer on the Republican ticket. A prospective candidate, who is said to have agreed, if elected, to run the office on the shares, is being recommended (with a club) to the good graces of the liquor men, and they will at once proceed to dance to the music prepared for them.

—At the annual election of officers for the Cambria County Agricultural association, at Carrolltown, the following officers were chosen: President, H. J. Krumenacker; vice president, P. J. Dietrick; treasurer, T. A. Sharbaugh; secretary, J. V. Maucher; directors, Charles Feighner, John H. Hoover, James Westrick, Benjamin Wertner, H. J. Eckenrode, W. J. McCombie, Jos. A. Gray, John S. Wetsel, D. A. Luther, Sr., H. J. Buck, Simon P. Kline and C. A. Sharbaugh.

—A few days ago while Charles Hall was driving along the road near Emporium, he saw what he thought was a bundle of rags burning in the middle of the highway, says the Lock Haven *Democrat*. He jumped out of the vehicle and was astonished to see that it was the badly burned body of 4-year-old Lottie Palmetter. The child in some manner had set fire to her clothing and then started to run to her mother who had gone to a neighboring house but died on the way.

—Mr. Harry Irwin, employed by the Cresson & Clearfield Coal & Coke Company at its saw mill at Frugality, was instantly killed on Thursday afternoon of last week at Lloydsville while attempting to board a freight train. The unfortunate man was about 30 years of age and leaves a wife and two children. He was sober and industrious and had been employed by the Coal and Coke Company for the past several years. The body was taken to Coalport where it was prepared for burial.

—On the night of November 2, 1895, a buggy and set of harness was stolen in Indiana county, presumably by a man who is supposed to have sold them in Cambria or Blair county. The buggy was made by Isaac Beck, of Indiana, Pa., and bears his name on a plate on the rear end of the bed. It has Dexter Queen springs, cherry running gear and black body. The shafts are new. The rig when last seen was drawn by a blind horse. Ten dollars will be paid to anyone who sends information as to its whereabouts to Box 401, Indiana, Pa.

—A telegram from Bellefonte says: Robert C. Lyle was arrested on Monday and lodged in jail here on the charges of dersertion immorality and having two wives. In 1888 Lyle, then a resident of Centre Hall, this county, married a Miss Keller, a member of one of the best families in that place, whom he deserted after the birth of a child. He went to Bellwood and married another girl, who has borne him three children. A week ago the wronged wife learned the whereabouts of her husband and a warrant was at once issued.

—John E. Brennan has made a great success in his latest venture, "Tim, the Tinker," the new play which is a sensational comedy drama of the purest type, is the work of his pen, and is exceptionally well equipped in all departments. The cast is unusually strong, and the scenic accessories remarkably elaborate. The great feature of the play is the splendid scenery of Ireland. Eclipses in stage realism and detailed perfection any dramatic appurtenance yet attempted, and the wonderful dancing and sweet singing by Mr. Brennan are special features. At the Opera House, Ebensburg, Wednesday, January 8th.

—1896 will be leap year, and the last one for eight years. There will be four eclipses, two of the moon and two of the sun. Only one of them will be visible in the United States, and that is due on the 23rd of August. Lent, the period in which all churchmen are interested, falls somewhat earlier the coming year, as Ash Wednesday is on February 19th. This brings Easter Sunday on April 5th. Last year Easter Sunday was on April 14th. Of the holidays, the Fourth of July will fall upon Saturday, thus bringing two days of business suspension together.

—Major P. H. Walls, says Wednesday's Philadelphia *Times*, who writes himself down as from Altoona on the Girard House register, is really from the new town of Prosperity, on the Cresson and Coalport road, where he is general manager of a large store and manages it in a manner quite satisfactory to the miners. Prosperity is one of three towns in the new Cambria coal belt opened by Judge Dean, General Beaver and Governor Hastings in 1888. The other two are Frugality and Congruity, singular names for towns and about as odd as the maps produce. Major Walls says they are growing centres of trade.

—The jurisdiction and authority of the teacher over the pupil is neither limited by the school house walls nor the time the school is actually in session. As a general rule in all matters connected with the schools and the manners and morals of the scholars the teacher's jurisdiction conjointly with the parent's commences when the pupil leaves the parental roof and continues until his return from school. The teacher, however, is not responsible for the misconduct of pupils on the way to and from school, though he has right to punish for such misconduct when brought to his knowledge. This is the Pennsylvania decision on the subject.

—"Owney," the canine globe trotter, passed over the Pennsylvania railroad on Wednesday, bound for his home in Tacoma, Washington. He left there August 19 on a trip around the world, and traversed the Pacific ocean, China Sea, Strait of Malacca, Indian ocean, Gulf of Aden, Red Sea, Suez canal, Mediterranean Sea, Straits of Gibraltar and Atlantic ocean, arriving in New York on board the steamship Port Philip on the 24th inst. More than ten years ago Owney wandered into the post office at Albany, was picked up and traveled the continent over and over again. From his leather collar dangled 196 brass tags or souvenirs from the various places he has visited.

—The hemlock, which a few years ago seemed inexhaustible and was so long despised by lumbermen, will before many years be as scarce as pine, says the Bradford *Era*. The output of hemlock in Pennsylvania is estimated at 650,000,000 feet annually, necessitating the cutting over 65,000 acres of land which is thus rendered practically valueless unless underlaid with coal, oil or other merchantable mineral. The cutting of this vast area of timber is of the most wastful character, young and old being alike destroyed. After the lumbermen come the fires which semi-annually follow in their waste. These do not confine themselves to the slashings, but invade and destroy the younger of the standing timber.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the Clerk of the Orphans' Court for two weeks ending Thursday, January 2, 1896:

Mathias Anastatius Dietrick, Hastings, and Blanche Helena Adams, Patton.

W. L. Hull and Jennie Seiberts, Summerhill.

John Mehaffy, Johnstown, and Grace Gomer, Bellefonte.

William Loudgrew and Annie Hauson, Patton.

Thomas Forsyth, Portage, and Amanda Elizabeth Crum, Summerhill township.

Wesley B. McClain, Morrellville, and Rose B. Flower, Johnstown.

Ross Cook and Annie Larken, Johnstown.

H. M. Irvin and Mary Burrell, Johnstown.

Harry A. Marsh, Lower Yoder township, and Catharine Leckey, Morrellville.

John Good, Barr township, and Amanda Mahan, Cambria township.

Amos G. Fogle and Frances Conrad, Chest Springs.

Alvin F. Adams, Rosedale, and Amanda Adams, Indiana county.

Wilson J. McLeary, Dale, and Emma Easterbrook, Johnstown.

William Lambing, Vintondale, and Maud Hofman, Indiana county.

Dr. Charles L. Rutter, Chicago, Ill., and Eva A. Campbell, Johnstown.

Harry E. Miller and Annie M. Selders, Blacklick township.

George E. Fresh, Jackson township, and Emily Dimond, East Taylor township.

William W. Jones, Cambria township, and Sarah C. Reese, Ebensburg.

Frank Andrew Mothersbaugh, Figart, and Norene Susan Gray, Frugality.

Edward Maines, Spangler, and Charlotte Kirkpatrick, Elder township.

Isaac Grumbling and Jennie Bennett, Morrellville.

James Henry Mack, Gallitzin, and Annie Lovina Clonan, Tunnelhill.

Annie Makorsky and Mary Maypower, Johnstown.

George Huguenin and Justine Krebs, Johnstown.

John Slane and Mary Donnelly, Johnstown.

Richard E. Howe and Mary Burkhart, Johnstown.

Franklin D. Helman and Missouri Wirick, Dunlo.

James Patrick Murphy and Rose Elizabeth Witt, Tunnelhill.

Anthony Barcok and Juliana Sala, Johnstown.

John A. Mullen, Gallitzin, and A. Ivory, Chest Springs.

Mikal Stepanik and Maria Haky, Johnstown.

Edward McCloskey and Bertha Moore, Gallitzin.

Michael Kline and Susan Howard, Johnstown.

Fire at Patton.

Friday night the main building of the Patton Clay Manufacturing Works, of Patton, was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of about $18,000 on the building and machinery. Hubbard & Wise, the contractors, had $5,000 insurance on the building. The building was a four-story frame structure, 200x60. It was still in course of erection, but was nearing completion. The manufacture of pottery was to be commenced next spring. It was the largest establishment of its kind in the State. Workmen had a rudely constructed brick furnace on the third story and had a fire in it to keep it warm. It is supposed the fire communicated from the furnace to the building, but the contractors think the fire was of incendiary origin.

The Patton Clay Manufacturing Company consists of Hon. James Kerr, of Clearfield; George S. Good, Lock Haven; Alexander Patton, Curwensville; General George Magee, Horning, N. Y.; W. H. Sanford and E. C. Brown, of Patton, and F. E. McElfresh, of West Virginia, the last named being a practical clay manufacturer. It is expected that the building will be reconstructed as soon as possible. Ash, coal overlays the clay no better location for clay works can be found anywhere.

Clerical Orders on the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that clerical orders for the year 1896 will be issued to ordained ministers of the gospel located on its system east of Pittsburg and Erie inclusive, on the same conditions as prevail at present. Clergymen who desire to avail themselves of this privilege should make application to the nearest ticket office of the Pennsylvania railroad, so that orders may be issued at once.

Real Estate Transfers.

Margaret P. McConaughy et al. to John Louis Selka, Lower; Yoder consideration, $325.

F. N. Donahue et ux. to J. M. Notley, Hastings, $1,500.

Cambria Iron Company to Kate Walters Prosser, Westmont, $825.

Philip J. Jens et ux. to Benjamin Wertner, Patton, $700.

Assignee of John W. Sharbaugh to Andrew Eckenrode, Carrolltown, $4,000.

F. M. George et ux. to Mollie E. George, Lilly, $1,350.

F. M. George to F. C. George, Lilly, $4,850.

Evan E. Davis et ux. to F. M. George, Lilly, $75.

James H. Gilson et ux. to Gallitzin Supply Company, Ltd., Gallitzin, $450.

Edward J. Waltz et ux. William J. Berkey, Morrellville, $1,400.

Executor of Michael Brawley to William Brawley, Portage township, $1.

Francis D. Confer to Anna Loebrich, Johnstown, $700.

Julius Hanson et ux. to Christina Quoist, Elder, $100.

Ralph Byron et al. to Henry Lape, Roxbury, $1.

T. S. Shoemaker et ux. to Charles A. Hughes, Washington, $1.

George Page et ux. to Joseph Page, Mineral Point, $150.

Abraham L. Good et al. to Julius Hanson, Barr, $60.

J. M. Notley et ux. to F. M. Donahue, Hastings, $800.

Joseph Lantzy to Cambria & Clearfield Railroad Company, Barr, $500.

Administrator of Labias Blough to Mary A. Blough, Richland, $2,650.

F. W. Otto et ux. to Rev. A. J. Beale et al. Johnstown, $2,644.

Administrator of William Tomlinson to W. W. Amsbry, Allegheny, $932.

Charles A. Hughes et ux. to William Hahman, Washington, $1.

Brubaker Coal Company to Joseph Lantzy, Barr, $1.

Joseph G. Hollen et ux. to Andrew G. Glass, Reade, $180.

Jacob Zimmerman et ux. to Sarah Elizabeth Lydia, Johnstown, $2,100.

A. B. Clark et al. to Joseph Fox, Spangler, $2,500.

Daniel S. McAnulty et ux. to Frank McAnulty, Barnesboro, $1.

Daniel S. McAnulty et ux. to Frank McAnulty, Barnesboro, $300.

Ferd Todd et al. to Frank Diehl, Portage township, $112.

Peter Brown et ux. to Joseph Brown, Summerhill borough, $5.

J. W. Leech et ux. to Thomas J. Reese, Ebensburg, $250.

Tom L. Johnson et ux. to Patrick Boyle, Johnstown, $450.

Tobias J. Yoder to G. M. & F. B. Thomas, Johnstown, $2,000.

Assignee of Benjamin Benshoff to Johanna Darney, Johnstown, $300.

Johanna Darney et vir. to Catharine Darney, Johnstown, $1.

Cambria Iron Company to Martha J. Davis, East Conemaugh, $350.

Lucinda Peterson to Samuel E. Peterson, Upper Yoder, $1.

John Ream et ux. to Tobias J. Yoder, Upper Yoder, $3,500.

Mary Jane Drikel to William E. Lantzy, Susquehanna, $300.

Matthias Kessler to Ellen Glass, White, $25.

Program of Grangers' Meeting.

Cambria County Pomona Grange No. 51, P. of H., will convene in the hall in Loretto, on Monday, January 6, 1896, meeting to be called to order promptly at 9:30 o'clock. After the regular business is disposed of the following program will be rendered:

Reports of officers of the Pomona Grange.

Recitation by A. B. Kirsch.

Reports of secretaries of subordinate granges.

Recitation by Miss Dora Biers.

The afternoon session will open at 1:30 o'clock sharp, the progam for this session to be as follows:

Essay, "How to keep the boys on the farm," by Mrs. T. L. Parrish.

Report of the P. of H. Fire Insurance Company.

Recitation by Miss S. J. Thomas.

Election of directors of P. of H. Fire Insurance Company.

This session will close at 4 o'clock for the purpose of conferring the fifth degree of the order upon worthy applicants for membership in the Pomona Grange. The The evening session will commence at 7:30 o'clock, program as follows:

Essay by Mrs. H. J. Bannan.

Welsh song, Henry Jones.

Subject for discussion, "The Initiation and Referendum in Legislative Matters," opened by John McCreery.

Essay by B. W. Gill.

"What Influence Do Attractive Homes Have on the Formation of Character?" Annie J. Garrett.

Recitation by John McCann.

Good music and singing will be a special feature of this meeting, as it will be rendered by the quartettes of Concord and Highland Granges.

All fourth degree members cordially invited to attend.

The Tribune's Opinion.

One week from to-day Messrs. James C. Darby and Daniel A. McGough retire from the public service in which they have been engaged, the former having served two terms as Prothonotary, a period of six years, and the latter as Register and Recorder of Cambria county for a period of three years. Both of them have performed their duties in an intelligent and gentlemanly way, and have received the approval of the people. If their successors are as kind and congenial as we believe they will be, then it is "Good-bye, Doss," and "Good-bye, Dan," forever, and they will have the proud distinction of being the last pair of Democratic officials to hold office in Cambria county. But then it is a great mistake to hold that all the pleasure of life is in being a public official, and both these gentlemen possess elements of character that will enable them to succeed in private stations.—*Monday's Johnstown Tribune.*

A Broken Leg Comes High.

For receiving a broken leg in a runaway on the Milheim turnpike in Centre county, Isaac W. Raven has just compromised with the company and been paid $3,000 and all costs. Raven's case was tried twice in the lower court and heard before the supreme court, and in all three he got a verdict of $5,000. This amount the Turnpike Company refused to pay. The result was the turnpike was put up for sale by the sheriff, but on the day of sale there were no bidders save Raven himself, and as he could not utilize the turnpike to advantage, he refused to buy. Then the company offered him the alternative of accepting $3,000 and costs or getting the amount of his verdict as best he could. Raven accepted the former and the case has been settled.

The Spring Elections.

The spring elections are not a great ways off and the substance of the law relative to these elections may not be out of place at this time. The elections next spring will take place on Tuesday, the 18th day of February. According to the act of the legislature of 1893 the nominations by party primaries for borough and township officers and school directors must be filed eighteen days before the election, which will be January 31st, and nomination papers fifteen days before the same, which will be February 3rd. It is a safe rule not to wait until the last day, but to file the certificates as soon as possible.

—"Tim, the Tinker," with its tremendous scenic effects and big and brilliant company, headed by John E. Brennan, will be one of the season's strongest novelties at the Opera House, Ebensburg, Wednesday, January 8th.

Miscellaneous Notices.

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COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria county, March Term, 1896, No. 137. LIBEL IN DIVORCE. BELL McCORMICK, by her next friend, William Kilnsman, vs. GEORGE W. McCORMICK.
And now, to wit, the 9th day of December, A. D. 1895, on motion of M. B. Stephens, Esq., attorney for libellant, THOMAS J. ITELL, Esq., appointed Commissioner to take testimony and report the same to Court.
BY THE COURT.
Notice is hereby given that I will sit for the purpose of the above appointment at my office, Room No. 2, Alma Hall, Main street, in the City of Johnstown, on THURSDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF JANUARY, 1896, when and where all persons interested may attend if they see proper.
THOMAS J. ITELL, Commissioner.
Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 20, 1895. [1.3.9t

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

CORA E. LEWIS by her next friend, GUSTAVE UTEOHT vs. EMORY A. LEWIS. } In the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria county. No. 677, June Term, 1895.
LIBEL IN DIVORCE.
Having on motion of John M. Rose, Esq., attorney for Cora E. Lewis, been appointed Commissioner to take testimony and suggest a decree in the above stated case, notice is hereby given that I will sit for the purpose of said appointment at my office, Room No. 1, Alma Hall, Johnstown, Pa., FRIDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock, A. M. when and where all parties interested may attend if they see proper.
JAMES M. WALTERS, Commissioner.
Jan. 3, 1896.3t.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria county, No. 4, Dec. Term, A. D. 1895. Mary J. Magehan, by her next friend, Michael McCann, vs. J. Magehan Libel in Divorce.
Having, on motion of Horace R. Rose, Esq., attorney for W. J. Magenan, been appointed Commissioner to take testimony and suggest a decree in the above stated case, notice is hereby given that I will sit for the purpose of said appointment at my office in Woolf's Block, Johnstown, Pa., on THURSDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 1896, at 10 o'clock, A. M., when and where all parties interested may attend if they see proper.
JAMES B. O'CONNOR, Commissioner.
Jan. 3, 1896.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following accounts have been filed in the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Cambria and will be confirmed by the said Court on the FOURTH MONDAY OF JANUARY, 1896, unless cause be shown to the contrary:
First and final account of S. A. Weimer, assignee of W. B. Osborn and wife:
First and final account of Geo. W. Stutsman, assignee of Eliza Hickworth.
J. C. DARBY, Prothonotary.
Jan. 3, 1896.

STRAY NOTICE.

Came to the residence of the subscriber in Portage township, on or about December 1st, 1895, one large white cow with reddish ears about 5 years old, with no marks. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take her away, otherwise she will be disposed of according to law.
JAMES ITELL.
Portage Twp., Jan. 3, 1896.

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Johnstown Accommodation, week days	8 14 a m
Pacific Express, daily	8 57 a m
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Johnstown Accommodation, week days	8 34 p m

Ebensburg Branch.

Trains leave Ebensburg as follows: 7.20 and 3.30 p. m. and arrive at Cresson at 7.57 a. m. and 4.06 p. m. Leave Cresson at 9 30 a. m and 5.35 p. m., and arrive at Ebensburg at 10.05 a. m., and 6.10 p. m.

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ADMINISTRATRIX' NOTICE.

Letters of administration in the estate of P. F. Brown, late of Ebensburg borough, Cambria county, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly authenticated for settlement.
MATILDA BROWN,
Administratrix of P. F. Brown, deceased.
Ebensburg, Pa., Nov. 29, 1895.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an election of Directors of the Protection Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Cambria County will be held at the office of the Secretary in Ebensburg, Pa., on MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 1896, between the hours of 10 A. M., and 2 P. M.
T. W. DICK, Secretary.
Dec. 13, 1895.

CUBANS' SHARP COUP.

They Get Between the Spaniards and Their Supplies.

PREPARING TO MOVE ON HAVANA.

The Insurgents Gathering Together Supplies and Ammunition For a Siege. The Spanish Fear an Uprising of Sympathizers When the Rebels Appear.

HAVANA, Jan. 1.—The most conflicting reports are in circulation regarding the movements of the insurgent forces under Generals Gomez, Maceo, Bandera and others. The Spanish officials continue to claim that the insurgents are in retreat, and that the Spanish troops are pursuing them out of the province of Matanzas. But the friends of the insurgents point to the fact that even the authorities here are compelled to admit that detachments, at least, of the insurgents are still in the vicinity of the city of Macanzas, and that they are still doing damage.

Quintin Bandera, the third in command of the Cuban forces, at the head of a strong column of insurgents, said to number several thousand men, is reported to be near Macurijes (Corralfalso), half way between Union de Reyes and Jaguey Grande, where the Spaniards claim Gomez is retreating or has retreated into Santa Clara. Now, if it is true that the Spaniards are pursuing Gomez through Jaguey Grande and into Santa Clara, the insurgents commanded by Quintin Bandera are behind the pursuing Spanish columns and between them and their base of supplies at Union de Reyes—not a very pleasant position for the Spanish troops to be in. Finally, it is asserted upon good authority that Laceret, another of the important insurgent commanders, is moving in the direction of Ciora, north of Sabanilla and westward of Union de Reyes.

If the railroad station of Cabezes announced to have been burned is that of the quite important town of Cabezes, southward and westward of the port of Matanzas, then the insurgents are away on the other side of Union de Reyes and have passed Matanzas, going in the direction, northward, of Jaruco, and southward of Guines, two important towns within a short distance of Havana. However, it is believed that these forward movements are made by the cavalry only of the insurgents, as the enemy is reported to be moving swiftly and on horseback. But, the adherents of the insurgent cause here assert that the infantry and artillery will follow the cavalry westward in due course of time and that Gomez and Maceo have simply been collecting the necessary supplies of men and ammunition, preparatory to a final movement upon Havana.

At the Spanish headquarters here the possibility of the advent of Gomez outside the fortifications of Havana is scouted as being nothing less than an absurdity, and it is still insisted that he and his companions are in retreat. If this is the case all outward signs here are deceiving in the extreme. The naval and military authorities are exhausting every resource in hurrying troops to the front and in preparing for the defence of the capital. There is no doubt that the authorities here, while expressing great confidence of being able to repel an insurgent attack upon Havana, are not quite so certain of being able to suppress a popular uprising should there be an outbreak here in favor of the insurgents.

It is reported here that additional reinforcements of troops have been urgently requested from Spain, that some of them have already sailed and that the captain general is very anxious that they should arrive here in the shortest time possible in order to take part in the defense of Havana, it being understood that every man who could be spared has been hurried to the front.

MRS. DAVIDSON'S THREATS.

She Declares She Will Expose Others In San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Popular interest in the sensational charges against Rev. C. O. Brown, pastor of the First Congregational church, and Miss Mattie Overman, has increased rather than abated. Mrs. Mary Abbott Davidson, who brought the charges of improper intimacy against the clergyman, is still in the city prison. Her attorney says the dispatches about Mrs. Davidson's eastern record and her imprisonment at Epswich, Mass., whether true or false have made it practically impossible to obtain bail for his client, although the bail had been reduced to $2,000. Mrs. Davidson in an interview reiterates her charges against Mr. Brown, repeating alleged conversations which she declared both Dr. Brown and Miss Overman made to her.

Mrs. Davidson also says she will make further sensational accusations during her trial, involving several prominent members of the First Congregational church, male and female, in scandals similar to that in which she implicated the pastor. Miss Overman admits that four months ago she offered to sell a local paper for $1,000 a story which she said would ruin a prominent man in this city. Miss Overman said when she offered to sell the story she was under the influence of Mrs. Davidson and as a matter of fact knew nothing against any prominent man.

THE OPERATOR CONFESSES.

A False Reply to the Dispatcher Caused the Wreck Near Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 1.—A startling development concerning the wreck on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern is the confession of Fred Droege, the operator at Storrs station, in Cincinnati, that he was to blame for the wreck. He visited Superintendent Rawn of the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern and said that the train dispatcher at Washington, Ind., asked him if the Louisville express, No. 19, had passed his station.

He answer that it had not. The fact was No. 19 had gone by. Orders were then given to the St. Louis accommodation, No. 8, coming east, to meet No. 19 at Delhi, 11 miles west of Cincinnati. The Washington (Ind.) office soon learned that No. 19 had passed Delhi. Then he knew a head-on collision was inevitable and ordered Storrs station to prepare wrecking trains at once, which was done. The collision occurred in a curve at Coal City, 14 miles west of Cincinnati. The rest has already been told in these dispatches.

Stage Robbed In California.

UKIAH, Cal., Jan. 1.—A stage running between this city and Harris, Humboldt county, has been robbed by masked highwaymen. The Wells-Fargo's treasure box was taken; also registered mail packages. The amount of plunder taken is unknown.

Fifty Killed or Injured.

BRESLAU, Jan. 1.—An explosion of firedamp occurred in a colliery at Waldenburg, Prussian Silesia, 43 miles southwest of this city. Fifty persons are known to have been killed or injured and 17 others are missing.

A Test Case In St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 1.—The question of the right of the Ancient Order of United Workmen to expel saloonkeepers who were members of the order before the bylaw prohibiting liquor dealers from being members was adopted, has been brought into the courts here.

Woods Lost the Fight.

LYONS, N. Y., Jan. 1.—A prizefight between Billy Woods of Denver and Tom Brennan at Junius, Seneca county, ended in a row. Brennan had the best of the fight and was awarded the victory.

TO RESTORE THE RESERVE.

Sherman Introduces a Resolution—One Passed to Investigate Armor Plate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The senate held a two hours' session in the course of which a speech by Mr. Mitchell (Rep., Or.) on the restoration of the McKinley duties on wool was listened to and a resolution was passed for the investigation by the committee on naval affairs of the prices paid by the government for ship armor. The resolution contained a broad intimation that officers of the government were interested in armor plate processes, and Senator Chandler, the author of the resolution, said the facts that had come to his knowledge warranted him in assuming the responsibility for inaugurating the inquiry.

The most important feature of the session perhaps was the resolution offered by Mr. Sherman for the restoration of the gold reserve, which thereafter should be held sacred for the redemption of the greenbacks and treasury notes, the former to be reissued only in exchange for gold coin or bullion. Mr. Sherman will address the senate on his resolution on Friday.

Mr. Elkins asked for the immediate consideration of a resolution apropos of the anticipated bond issue, declaring it to be the sense of the senate that no bonds of the United States should be sold at private sale or by private contract, but should be disposed of by advertisement to the highest bidder. Mr. Hill of New York objected. Mr. Nelson (Rep., Minn.) made his first speech in the senate, advocating higher duties as a remedy for present financial troubles. The senate adjourned until Friday.

Senator Mitchell declared that no industry had received such a staggering and deadly blow as that inflicted upon the wool industry by the Wilson tariff act. It had drained from the United States within the last year $55,000,000 in gold to pay for foreign wool and had occasioned a loss to this country of more than $1,000,000. Unless this legislation was changed the sheep industry of the Pacific coast would be annihilated.

Mr. Mitchell said the tariff bill passed by the house would probably increase the revenue $40,000,000 a year. Amended as it should be, affording wool, lumber, barley, hops and other agricultural products adequate protection, it will give an additional revenue of $60,000,000 and place a padlock upon the so-called "endless chain" by which gold is drawn from the treasury, stop all necessity for further issue of bonds and rescue from impending ruin the wool and other agricultural interests of this country.

WARLIKE THREATS MADE.

Papers of British Guiana Predict Disaster For Venezuela.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—British Guiana newspapers received here give much attention to President Cleveland's message on Venezuela to congress. The Demarara Chronicle says that if the United States proposes to arbitrate for South American republics, she must also assume a protectorate over them. The paper points out the outrages inflicted on British Guiana residents by the Venezuelans, and says it is hardly possible for English statesmen to enter into further controversy with the authorities at Caracas as long as those outrages are not repaired. And, furthermore, if that reparation is not speedily made, further discussion respecting the boundary line may be altogether unnecessary.

Full details are given of the recent meeting at Demarara to form a colonization plan in accordance with the wishes of Colonial Minister Chamberlain. The importance of this action has already attracted attention in London. It was decided to form a company with capital stock of $500,000, to colonize crown lands along the Cuyuni river between the meridian of longitude 60 and the boundary of the colony and between latitudes 5 and 7 north, within the limits in dispute between Great Britain and Venezuela.

The New Bond Contract.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—A contract has been signed by all the members of the new bond syndicate subject to the formal acceptance of the government. The syndicate agrees to furnish 11,500,000 ounces of gold, amounting to about $200,000,000 gold, the government to take one-half of this sum first and to have the option of taking the other half and to deliver 4 per cent 30 year coin bonds at about the same price as paid for the last issue of bonds; the managers of the syndicate to receive a commission of 1 per cent.

Germans Will Take Some Bonds.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—The Wolff agency, which has the closest relations with the German Government, has issued the following notice: The details of the new United States loan are not yet definitely determined upon. The conditions, however, are expected to differ but slightly from those under which the last issue was effected. The loan will amount to about $100,000,000, of which a portion will probably be taken by Germany.

England Don't Get Any Bonds.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Mr. Burns of Thomas Morgan & Co. said to your representative: "None of the new issue of bonds will be floated in London, owing to the strained relations between the United States and Great Britain.

Condition of the Gold Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The treasury has lost $500,000 in gold for export and $95,000 by the redemption of legal tenders, leaving the true amount of the gold reserve at the close of business $62,566,148.

Chicago Bankers to Take Bonds.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—Chicago bankers have been called to take a portion of the new United States bonds. Of the $50,000,000 to be placed in the United States $10,000,000 has been alotted to Chicago.

Arrested on False Charges.

PERRY, O. T., Jan. 1.—Indignation exists in Pawnee county over the unlawful arrest by deputy United States marshals of men and women charged with cutting timber on government lands and selling whisky to Indians.

Deputies After Bill Doolin.

PERRY, O. T., Jan. 1.—Bill Doolin, the outlaw, after an unsuccessful attempt to compromise with the territory authorities, is being pursued by armed deputies.

The Boston Ordered to Asia.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—The United States cruiser Boston has received orders to proceed to the China station and will sail the last of the week.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Atlanta exposition closed yesterday.

The young Duchess of Marlborough is not ill of typhoid fever, as reported.

Zeitoun has not yet been captured by the Turks, according to latest reports.

Very perceptible earthquake shocks were felt at Metropolis, Ills., and Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Lottie Killman, aged 23, is dying on Blackwell's Island, New York, from smoking cigarettes.

Andew Brown, a negro ex-convict and notorious cattle thief, has been lynched in Simpson county, Miss.

Mrs. Mary A. Kent of Lawrence, Mass., died of a broken heart after hearing that her husband was arrested on the charge of drunkenness.

It is said that the famous postoffice thieves, Killoran and Russell, who escaped from Ludlow street jail, on July 4, are still in New York.

J. L. Calloway of McCracken county, Ky., has begun suit for $5,000 against certain members of an A. P. A. lodge for injuries received in an initiation.

Near Beech Grove, Ky., Tony Golf, 13, a negro, was whipped by his father for having stolen the old gentleman's penknife. The boy killed his father while asleep.

THE NEW BOND ISSUE.

It May Be Postponed For a Number of Days Yet.

CAPITALISTS SECURING GOLD.

They Propose to Be Ready For the New Bonds—Over $5,000,000 In Legal Tenders Redeemed at the Sub-Treasury In New York.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—There are no new developments in the matter of a new bond issue, and the opinion now prevails that it may be postponed for a number of days yet. The cessation of large withdrawals of gold for export and the fact that one or more orders have been placed for gold shipments from abroad, are important factors in the question of an early issue. On the other hand, the almost daily announcement from the sub-treasury at New York that considerable quantities are being withdrawn in redemption of legal tenders, would seem to justify prompt action on the part of the president. These redemptions, it is said, are undoubtedly asked for the purpose of accumulating a supply of gold, with which to purchase bonds when they shall have been placed on the market by the syndicate, and as they now aggregate considerable more than $5,000,000 since the forthcoming issue became a settled fact, their early discontinuance has become a matter of the first importance.

This can be accomplished, however, only through the operations of the syndicate, and it is argued, therefore, that the interests of the government lie in a prompt announcement of the issue. What will be the result of these conflicting interests is not now apparent. The report from New York to the effect that the members of the new syndicate have entered into an agreement by which the government is to be at once furnished with $10,000,000 in gold, and later on, at its option, with $100,000,000 in addition cannot be verified at this time. It is the general opinion, however, that this arrangement for an additional contingent amount was made with the approval of the president, who is anxious that this issue shall be the last during his term of office. It is believed further that the condition as to the procurement of a part of the gold from abroad, and that no part of it shall be withdrawn from the treasury, are made parts of the new contract.

The forthcoming monthly treasury statement will show an excess of receipts over expenditures for the month of December of about $512,000, which is a gain over November of about $1,800,000. Heavy payments on account of interest, pensions and Pacific bond redemptions during January are expected to result in a large deficit for that month. The deficit for the present fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, is expected to be approximately $17,000,000. These figures, it is said, are based on the assumption that the receipts from customs will materially increase during the next three months, as is usually the case. The receipts from internal revenue sources, it is thought now have reached the normal and hence no material change for the better is expected except through the customs.

TERRIFIC BOILER EXPLOSION.

Three Men Killed In a Small Mining Town Near Wilkesbarre.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 1.—A terrific boiler explosion by which three men were killed, occurred at the Law colliery at Avoca, a small mining town 12 miles from here. The dead are: Alex. Young, aged 38 years, a pump driller; Thomas McDonald, aged 32 years, a machinist, and John Rolls, aged 50 years.

The two first named were mangled beyond recognition. The explosion is supposed to have been caused by low water in the boiler.

Hastings Gone to North Carolina.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 1.—Governor Hastings has gone to Asheville, N. C., for the benefit of his health. He has been ill for several weeks with malarial fever and goes away by the advice of his family physician, who will accompany him. The governor's illness is the result of overwork and excitement during the contest for state chairman last summer. His friends are afraid his trouble will develop into nervous prostration if he does not go away from home and take a rest. He will be gone three or four weeks.

Train Wrecked by a Boulder.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Jan. 1.—The locomotive and 15 boxcars of a Northern Central freight train have tumbled into the Susquehanna river two miles below Georgetown. Twenty other freight cars were thrown across the track and completely blocked travel. An immense boulder, weighing several tons, had been loosened from the mountain side by the storm and fell on the track in front of the train. Six men went into the river with the wreck and sustained severe injuries.

Lieutenant Pague Dismissed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—An order has been issued from the war department, by authority of the president, dismissing from the United States army Lieutenant Samuel S. Pague, Fifteenth infantry, who was found guilty of shooting at his superior officer, Colonel Crofton, commanding Fort Sheridan, within the limits of the post.

A Brief House Session.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The last session of the house for the year 1895 was a purely formal meeting, lasting but a very few minutes, and an adjournment was taken until Friday, according to the understanding.

Morton First, McKinley Second.

ALBANY, Jan. 1.—Assemblyman Jerome Babcock of Jamestown, N. Y., when asked what, if any, significance was to be attached to the reported organization of a strong McKinley club in that city. He said that the only thing to be said of it was that if Governor Morton was not to be a candidate, then the Republicans of the Jamestown district were for McKinley.

Says the Judgment Day Is Near.

FARMLAND, Ind., Jan. 1.—At a colored revival meeting, 13 miles southwest of here, a colored boy preacher named Ralph Pixley, who is only 12 years old, is attracting much attention. He says he has been sent here to instruct sinners to prepare for the coming of the Judgment day, which he predicts will be on Jan. 1, 1896.

Great Excitement at Cripple Creek.

DENVER, Jan. 1.—There are wild times in Cripple Creek. The claims possessed by many of the miners expired at midnight. It is reported that wholesale jumpin is going on and that three men have been shot.

Bucket Shop Operators Indicted.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—The grand jury has voted true bills against 29 alleged bucket shop operators, among them being Joseph Ullman, the well-known bookmaker and horse fancier.

Killed by an Earthquake.

ROME, Jan. 1.—A strong earthquake shock has been felt at Ciceiano in Casserta, three miles north of Nola. Several persons were killed and a number were injured.

New English Poet Laureate.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Among the New Year's honors which have been gazetted is the appointment of Alfred Austin to be poet laureate of England.

BRITISH INVADE TRANSVAAL.

Officials In London Declare It Is Without Government Authority.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—An alarming telegram has been received here from Pretoria, Transvaal, which states that an armed force of the British South Africa company, numbering 800 men, with six Maxim guns and other artillery pieces, is reported to have invaded the Transvaal territory.

A telegram from Pretoria further states that the British force has already reached the vicinity of Rustenburg and is advancing upon Johannesburg. On learning of the news, President Kruger of Transvaal ordered that a further advance of the invaders should be prevented by force of arms, and he issued a proclamation calling upon all Burghers to defend the country. An armed conflict, as a result of the appeal, is inevitable.

A London special says: Dr. Jameson, the British agent, has acted without authority in invading the Transvaal, so the government officials declare.

SETTLED IT WITH GUNS.

Fatal Ending of a Desperate Quarrel Near Pound Gap, Va.

SARGENT, Ky., Jan. 1.—Bill Wells and Gus Orsborne, always known as good citizens, and Jim Cox and Ab Williams, two desperate mountain outlaws, have met on the public road near Pound Gap, Va., heavily armed with Winchesters for the purpose of settling a quarrel. Firing was immediately commenced.

It continued for more than two hours. Shortly after the firing commenced a deputy sheriff of Wise county, whose name has not been learned, appeared on the scene, but could not stop the fighting. Soon Wells and Orsborne lay lifeless on the roadside with Cox seriously wounded, being shot twice. The deputy sheriff also received a serious wound in the left leg. Williams was last seen going up Cumberland mountain, supposedly making his way to the Kentucky side for refuge.

BUYING WAR SUPPLIES.

Venezuela Getting Ready For War With Great Britain.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Jan. 1.—The Venezuela government is negotiating in the United States for war supplies. Four heavy guns have been sent from Caracas to fortify the harbor at Maracaibo. Special commissioners appointed to arrange an alliance of South and Central American republics against England are ready to depart.

A rumor comes from Colombia that the Spanish minister to Bogota has been escorted out of the country by a troop of soldiers because he made a protest against the government giving to the British minister his passports.

Dunraven Investigation Finished.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The taking of testimony by the members of the special committee of the New York Yacht club, who have been investigating Lord Dunraven's charges against C. Oliver Iselin, William K. Vanderbilt and E. D. Morgan of the Defender syndicate, has been concluded. No decision, however, has been arrived at by the committee, and it is not likely that the result of the investigation will be announced inside of a week or ten days.

Ohio Man Badly Burned.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—James Whitney of Columbus, second cook for the gang of men in the new waterworks tunnel, has been severely burned by the explosion of waste oil thrown into the furnace used in the tunnel. The laborers at work under the bosom of the great lake believed they were in a living tomb, and a panic followed, but they were finally quieted.

Chinese Evade Customs Officers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—Through the treachery of an officer in the custom house two carloads of Chinese from the Atlanta exposition have slipped through the fingers of a score of United States inspectors and are now somewhere in Chinatown safe out of the reach of the federal control or interference.

Richard Vaux's Widow Dead.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1.—Mrs. Mary Waln Vaux, widow of the late Richard Vaux, has died at her home in this city after a brief illness. Mrs. Vaux had devoted the greater part of her life to charity and was interested in many religious enterprises.

The State Treasury.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 1.—The report of State Treasurer Jackson for the month of December shows a balance in the state treasury at the close of business of $1,186,000. During the month $800,000 has been paid out for various purposes.

The Sutterville Bridge a Go.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Congressman Bell has been notified that Secretary Lamont has granted to the Allegheny and Westmoreland Bridge company the right to construct a bridge over the Youghiogheny river at Sutterville.

THE MARKETS.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.

WHEAT—No. 1 red, 68@68½; No. 2 red, 67@67½.

CORN—New No. 2 yellow car, 35@35½; new No. 2 shelled, 34½@32½; high mixed shelled, 33½@33½; mixed car, 33@34½; No. 2 yellow shelled, old, 34½@35½; old No. 2 yellow car corn, 39@40½.

OATS—No. 1 white, 29½@30½; No. 2 do, 29½@30½; extra No. 3 white, 28½@28½; light mixed, 27½@27½.

HAY—No. 1 timothy, $16.50@17.00; No. 2 timothy, $15.50@16.00; mixed clover, $14.75@15.00; packing, $9.50@9.75; No. 1 feeding prairie, $12.00@12.50; wagon hay, $17.00@19.00 for timothy.

BUTTER—Elgin creamery, 28@29c; Ohio fancy creamery, 25@26c; fancy country roll, 18@22c; low grade and cooking, 5@7c.

CHEESE—Fancy New York, September make, full cream, large size, 10½@11c; New York flats, 11½@12c; fancy Ohio's, September make, 9@10c; Wisconsin Swiss, in tubs, 12½@13c; limburger, 11@11½c; Ohio Swiss, in tubs, 11½@12c; Swiss, in square blocks, 13@15c.

EGGS—Fairly fresh Pennsylvania and Ohio, in cases, 20@21c; cold storage, 16@18c.

POULTRY—Large live chickens, 55@60c per pair; live chickens, small, 35@45c; spring chickens, 30@35c, as to size; dressed chickens, 9@10c per pound; live ducks, 70@80c per pair; live turkeys, 9@10c per pound; dressed, 10@12c; live geese, $@$1.25 per pair.

GAME—Rabbits, 15@20c per pair; quail, $1.80@2.00 per dozen; pheasants, $5.50@6.00 per dozen; squirrels, 55@75c per dozen; grouse, $6.50@7.00 per dozen; venison, whole, 12@13c; saddles, 15@16c.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 31.

CATTLE—Receipts light this week, about 50 cars on sale. The demand is steady and the market is active and strong. We quote: Prime, $4.25@4.50; good, $4.00@4.15; good butchers, $3.85@4.00; rough fat, $3.00@3.50; bulls cows and stags, $1.50@3.00; fresh cows and springers, $10.00@40.00; feeders, $3.25@3.80; heifers, $2.25@3.25.

HOGS—Receipts light today; the demand good, while the market is active and excited at considerably higher prices. We quote as follows: Prime light, $4.30@4.45; medium grades, $4.35@4.40; heavy hogs, $4.15@4.25; roughs, $2.75@3.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Supply very light and the demand is strong, with prices $5@6.00 higher than last week. We quote: Extra, $4.40@4.55; good, $4.30@4.35; fair, $1.90@2.70; culls and common, $2@$3.00. Lambs, $6.00@6.60. Veal calves, $6.50@7.25; heavy and thin calves, $2.00@3.75.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 31.

HOGS—Market easy at $3.25@3.85. Receipts, 3,300 head; shipments, 2,100 head.

CATTLE—Market steady at $2.50@4.50. Receipts, 600 head; shipments, none.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Market for sheep active and higher at $1.25@3.75. Receipts, 600 head; shipments, 400 head. Lambs active and higher at $3.00@4.50.

NEW YORK, Sept. 31.

WHEAT—Spot market firm. No. 2 red, 66½c; No. 1 hard, 68½c.

CORN—Spot market dull. No. 2, 34½c.

OATS—No quotations.

CATTLE—European cables quote American steers at 10@11c per pound, dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 8@9c.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Market firm and higher.

HOGS—Market firm at $4.30@4.50.

A RAISE BY DE ARMIT.

An Increase In Wages Went Into Effect Today.

GOOD FOR PITTSBURG MINERS.

It Insures Better Wages Throughout the District, According to the Agreement Adopted at the Last Convention—Terms Set Forth In the Circular.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 1.—The New York and Cleveland Gas Coal company, William P. De Armit president, has issued notices to its employes at the three large mines of a 64-cent a ton cash rate after Jan. 1. It is claimed by other producers of coal that this large company has been an obstacle in the way of preventing the payment of fair wages to miners, as the rate paid was on the face lower than the district price.

At the last convention of the miners and operators of the Pittsburg district, it was agreed that the rate of the district should be the same as the rate paid by the above company.

The efforts of the committee to secure "true uniformity" have been very successful, and the prospects for an advance in mining rates are now better than ever before.

In relation to the subject of paying the district price the circular reads as follows: "Commencing Jan. 1, 1896, the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal company will pay 64 cents per ton of 2,000 pounds for digging 1¼-inch screened coal, with the rates to be paid for the other grades of coal in their usual and proper relative ratios at the rate for 1¼-inch screened coal. It has no need to promise that the aforementioned conditions, constituting 'true uniformity,' shall obtain at its mines or in its payment for labor performed, as these conditions have obtained in its practice for many years.

"The aforesaid prices for digging coal will be paid without any waiver of its rights under its contracts with its employes, and will be paid pending an examination on part of itself and employes as to whether the aforesaid conditions obtaining at its mines, and stated before the October convention, do really exist at the other mines of the district, and as to whether the relative prices for digging 'pick' mined coal and 'machine' mined coal made by said convention do establish only a fair relative difference between the cost of digging that coal.

"Should that examination disclose that the aforesaid conditions, or any of them, do not obtain at all the other mines in the district, then, at the beginning of the next regular semi-monthly pay period thereafter, this company will pay the prices provided for in its agreement with its employes."

Fierce and Extensive Storm Reported.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—A fierce storm has been raging along the Atlantic coast as far north as Portland, Me. Much damage has been reported from the interior part of the state and along the northern lakes and St. Lawrence river. President Cleveland's summer home at Buzzard's Bay, Mass., was considerably damaged.

Will Make Good His Shortage.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 1.—David Crockett Boggs, who was tax collector of Wyandotte county, Kan., in 1894 and who suddenly disappeared in that year with a shortage of about $5,000, has returned to Kansas City voluntarily to make good his shortage.

Brazil Refuses to Arbitrate.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 1.—Before congress adjourned the minister for foreign affairs explained the impossibility of accepting the arbitration proposed by Great Britain regarding the disputed ownership of the island of Trinidad.

English Paper Defends Cleveland.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Truth, in a long article today, defends President Cleveland's attitude on the Monroe doctrine, and asserts that it is quite as legitimate as the European concert.

A British New Year's Greeting.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The Chronicle, in the course of a complimentary editorial, sends a New Year's greeting and good wishes to America and President Cleveland.

Huntington Not Guilty.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—United States District Attorney Foote has again concluded that President C. P. Huntington of the Southern Pacific company has not violated the interstate commerce act in issuing a pass to Frank M. Stone, an attorney.

Four Brothers Burned to Death.

PITTSBURG, Kan., Jan. 1.—Near Frontenac four brothers, Robert, John, William and Arch McFadden, have been burned to death in their house while asleep. There are hints of foul play.

Poet Emerson's Cousin Found Dead.

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—E. E. Emerson, aged 50 years, and who claimed he was a cousin of Ralph Waldo Emerson, the poet, has been found dead in his bed in a Clark street lodginghouse.

American Artists Decorated.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—Messrs. W. Macewen, MacMonnies and Melchers, American artists who have distinguished themselves in Salon exhibitions recently, have been decorated with the cross of the Legion of Honor.

A Woman Sued For Damages.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 1.—Mrs. Belle Sallee charges Mrs. John Gilchrist with circulating scandalous stories, causing her to lose place as president of the State Rebecca assembly, in a suit for $5,000 damages.

Cholera Deaths In St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 1.—From Dec. 20 to Dec. 27 there were 79 cases of cholera here and 50 deaths from that disease.

A College Professor Dead.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 1.—Dr. George B. Lathrop, a professor in the University of Michigan, has died here of consumption.

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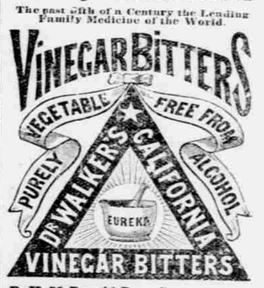

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